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Major Misdiagnosis By Health Center Hospitalizes Student

By Beth McConnell
Bulletin Assistant News Editor

Gasping and coughing, junior Adam Smith left an off-campus party on Jan. 8, the night before classes started, barely able to breathe. At the encouragement of his friends, he went to the Health Center that night.

The Health Center gave Smith a medicine called bronkoeilixir decaron, used for bronchitis and asthma sufferers, and released him the next day.

Two weeks later a Fredericksburg doctor found that Smith's right lung had collapsed 100 percent in the week before this semester began. Smith later underwent surgery and stayed in the hospital for two weeks.

Smith is the second student in two years to have a collapsed lung that the Health Center failed to recognize and treat. Mike Hurt, a sophomore, had a collapsed lung last year, and had to also seek help on his own. He said he has not had any recent problems, though doctors said it could happen again.

Hurt said the nurse at the Health Center told him that he probably had air in his chest, a condition similar to what she experienced when she was pregnant. She gave him a heating pad and sent him home.

Smith said the nurse at the Health Center seemed puzzled over his symptoms that Sunday night. After he told her he had been drinking, she became nervous.

"She was paranoid at the fact I had been drinking," said Smith.

The nurse, whose name Smith never knew, listened to his chest with a stethoscope. Smith said he told the nurse he thought it could be bronchitis, but she replied she did not hear any fluid in his lungs. She never told him what she thought was wrong, and seemed unable to come to a conclusion about it.

Smith spent the night in the Health Center with a humidifier in his room. The next morning, even though the doctor held office hours, Ilma Overman, M.D. and director of the student health center, never examined him.



Cara FitzPatrick/Bullet
A student waits to be treated at the campus Health Center

"The nurse kept coming in saying the doctor says this and that. But I never saw the doctor," said Smith.

When nurses put another student in the room who was coughing and sneezing, Smith decided he had stayed long enough.

"The nurses really didn't know what was wrong, and I became aware that they were not going to do anything else. I didn't want to catch [what the other student had], so I left," said Smith.

The nurses gave Smith medicine to help him breathe, which he said helped some.

Smith continued to have breathing difficulty. After two weeks, at his friends' encouragement, he called

Mary Washington Hospital, who referred him to Dr. Whitney Calkins.

After the doctor examined him, she sent Smith immediately to have X-rays, where the technician discovered Smith's lung had completely collapsed. The technician called for an ambulance, and brought the stretcher right to Smith.

"She said it was a life-threatening condition. She was very concerned, and asked if I felt like I could walk across the room to a chair," Smith said.

Smith said until then he did not know how serious his condition was.

"I had been running around every

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Virginia Delegates Reject Allen Budget

By Eric Edwards
Bulletin Entertainment Editor

The Virginia Senate and House of Delegates this week gave Mary Washington College a Valentine's day gift a week early, but none too soon when they released their versions of Governor George Allen's budget.

Both the Senate and the House of delegates restored the \$580,000 stripped from MWC's budget by Allen. These funds came from the 6% penalty for not submitting an acceptable restructuring plan to the State Council of Higher Education of Virginia (SCHEV), which the Senate and House overturned. None of the six Virginia schools who were to be penalized under Allen's budget for delinquent proposals will be penalized.

The General Assembly also allocated \$73,000 for a 2.25 faculty salary increase. Under Allen's budget plan, the school would have had to pay for the increase. Peter Blake, senior

analyst for SCHEV, explained how the money was redistributed to the schools.

"There were basically two ways which the General Assembly was able to give the money back to the schools. Governor Allen had proposed in his budget a \$140 million tax cut. They killed his bill to reduce the state income tax, and they reinstated a small business tax that Allen had tried to alleviate," Allen said.

Not only did the General Assembly agree on returning the money to MWC but the House of Delegates' budget includes \$200,000 for software for the campus network, and the Senate's budget includes \$250,000 for general support of the college.

Mike MacDowell, SCHEV representative, explained that at this point the House and the Senate have exchanged their

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Stamp Shortage Stiffs Students



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According to Shirley Truslow, postal assistant, the post office needs to increase its stamp supply. "The departments send for large quantities of stamps," said Truslow. "We fill the order when we can. We don't necessarily give [the departments] first priority. If students could help at the window selling stamps, that would be a big help," she said. See story page 2.

Students On Internet Protest Honor Verdict

By Rob Thormeyer
Bulletin Assistant Entertainment Editor

To protest the conviction of freshman Marion Gibson in a Feb. 1 honor trial, 10 students who were present at the trial and Freshmen Class President Larissa Lipani have logged onto the internet to voice complaints about the MWC Honor Code, its policy and structure.

The Honor Council's refusal to allow character witnesses in Gibson's case prompted freshmen Trissie Bloomfield, Jen Goldman, Jen Brock, James Moore, Steve O'Connell, Mark Cancellieri, Matt LoFiegi, Tara Mallon and Eric Brown to begin an Internet campaign to make Gibson's case known.

In a letter written to every student with an internet account, Brown addressed the issue of character. According to Brown, one of the most troubling aspects of the case is that it came down to the word of the accused versus that of the accuser, questioning the accused's character.

"What makes this so troubling is that the accused could not present witnesses to defend her character—not people trying to save their friend from a desperate situation, not people looking to deceive the accusers, but people

who cannot help but testify to the pureness in the character of the accused," Brown wrote.

Gibson said the Honor Council convicted her of cheating on her German final and suspended her from school for two semesters. Pending an appeal, Gibson may return to school next fall as a freshman. Gibson claims, however, she was convicted on circumstantial evidence, without the benefit of character witnesses.

"Everything I could do to prove to them I was innocent, [taking a polygraph test and using character witnesses], I wasn't allowed," said Gibson, "I didn't think it would make it to trial because I didn't do it."

Honor Council President Courtney Weisse refused to comment on the case, as it is still pending, as did Professor of Modern Foreign Languages Sam Merrill, Gibson's German professor.

According to Gibson, she was the last student to leave the room while taking the final on Dec. 8. After signing the Honor Pledge, Gibson said she then left the room, stayed in the building to run a few errands and passed Merrill on her way out. Merrill, according to Gibson, asked if she was finished and if she was the last to leave. Gibson replied

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17 MWC Basketball Players Suspended After Off-campus Party

By Bryan Tucker
Bulletin Sports Editor
and Amy Drewer
Bulletin Staff Writer

Corinne May, senior Co-captain of Mary Washington's women's basketball team, was charged with sixteen counts of aiding and abetting for underage possession of alcohol Saturday night at her Greenbrier apartment. She and sixteen fellow basketball players who were at her apartment that night were suspended for one game, as a direct result of Saturday's party.

Coach Connie Gallahan of the women's basketball team was adamant about enforcing her team policies, despite the fact that the party was off-campus. There were seven

of age players at the party. Because of team policy differences, the five male players of age were not suspended while the two female players of age were suspended.

"As a team rule, age is not an issue," said Gallahan. "My policies are team policies not individual policies."

May, the leading women's scorer in school history, was also charged with maintaining common nuisance. This charge and the previous sixteen are all class one misdemeanors. The maximum charge for a class one misdemeanor is 12 months or \$2500 fine. She was arraigned Tuesday, February 7 and goes to trial April 4 at 9:30 a.m.

"We broke team policy and obviously some disciplinary action

had to be taken," said May.

According to Erik Bursch, a freshman forward, the police did not knock on the door of May's apartment before entering. Police also could not get the breathalyzer to work, so they were forced to just take the names of the students present.

"We have been responding to citizens' complaints, we haven't been riding around looking for them [parties]," said Jim Shellhouse, public information officer for Fredericksburg police.

Nine out of the 10 women basketball players present at the party were suspended from play over the course of three games. May, senior Bridget Rooney, and freshman Julie Harrison were suspended from Monday night's victory over St.

Mary's. Junior Stefanie Teter, freshman Ashley Seekford, and sophomore Lindsay Stover sat out Tuesday's blow-out loss against Galludet, 83-60. Junior Robin Coates, sophomore Amanda O'Brien, and freshman Michelle Beagan will watch Thursday night's game versus Goucher in street clothes.

Athletic Director Ed Hegmann would not comment on the disciplinary actions of Gallahan and men's basketball coach Tom Davies, saying, "It's really team policy matters."

Davies suspended eight of his thirteen players for violating team rules. Sophomores Dan Zenker and Richie DeRose and freshman Marvin



Kathryn Johnson/Bullet

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Justin McCarthy, No. 22, is one of four men who will sit-out Thursday.

Senate To Reward Mailroom Help

By Lisa Erickson
Bulletin Assistant News Editor

Starting Feb. 13, the Senate Welfare Committee will be sponsoring a contest for the most volunteer hours spent by a student at the post office during a six week period.

The contest stemmed from a motion in Senate to look into the effectiveness of the post office, said Mark McClure, co-chair of the welfare committee. Current problems due to understaffing at the post office include delayed packages and mail, insufficient stamp supply and backups at the windows, said Shirley Truslow, postal assistant.

According to McClure, the cash awards add incentive for students to volunteer.

"If [students] volunteer at the mail

room, it's going to speed up the sorting of the mail," McClure said. He also said it will increase awareness that improvements can be made on campus if students get involved.

According to McClure, the contest will run from Feb. 13 to March 31. The contest is open to all clubs and organizations and individuals on campus, except for paid employees and students serving hours at the post office for community standards violations.

Winners will be determined by the most cumulative hours volunteered in the post office, with a \$50 prize each for the individual and group with the most volunteer hours. According to McClure, there will be a sign-in sheet located in the post office for students to log in their hours individually or for a group.

Truslow said that the post office will be taking volunteers on a first-come, first-serve basis.

"If we could get most of [the volunteers] in the morning, that's when we have the bulk of the mail," Truslow said. "We'll take them as we get them."

According to Truslow, the post office needs to increase its stamp supply.

"The departments send for large quantities of stamps," said Truslow. "We fill the order when we can. We don't necessarily give [the departments] first priority. If students could help at the window selling stamps, that would be a big help," she said.

"Maybe next year, we could expand [the contest] and help other areas on campus," said McClure.

News Briefs

* Orders for caps, gowns and tassels for graduation can be picked up March 16-17 at the Underground from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. All graduates are required to wear standard MWC graduation attire.

* Any BA or BS degree candidates who want to review his/her senior check sheet should see Mrs. Kemp in Student Records, George Washington Hall.

* Students can withdraw passing/failing Jan. 31- March 24 without the grade affecting the student's grade point average.

* MWC Housing Selection will be held April 4-6 in the Great Hall in Meeting Room 1 in the Campus Center from 6 p.m.-midnight, and in Meeting Room 2, 3-5 p.m.

* MWC has established a new "Information Hotline" that will provide a weekly listing of public events at the college and regular updates of any schedule changes. The "Hotline," maintained by MWC's Office of College Relations, can be reached 24 hours a day at 654-2424. There is no charge for using this service.

* Sports schedules and scores are available through the 24-hour "Athlete Hotline" at 899-4991, operated by the Sports Information Office.

* The Studio Art Faculty Exhibition will be on display in the duPont Gallery Jan. 13- Feb. 19, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Saturday-Sunday, 1-4 p.m., free of charge.

* Diane Hatch, professor of classics, will be giving a lecture entitled "Gruniger Pictures and the 'Aeneid'" on Feb. 15, noon in the Ridderhof Martin Gallery. No admission charge.

* Nathan McCall, author and Washington Post reporter, will be lecturing in Dodd Auditorium, George Washington Hall on Feb. 15, 7 p.m. General admission is \$2, \$1 for students. For more information call the Multi-cultural Center at (703) 899-4838.

* The Fifth Annual Stepshow will be held in Dodd Auditorium, George Washington Hall Feb. 18, 6 p.m. General admission is \$3 in advance and \$5 at the door. For information call (703) 899-4838.

* Performances of the drama "Passage," a play about a teenager's experience in the 1960s civil rights movement, will be held

Feb. 11 at 1 p.m. in Dodd Auditorium.

* John Charles Thomas, the first African-American and youngest person to serve on the Virginia Supreme Court, will speak on Feb. 9 at 7 p.m. in the Ballroom of Lee Hall.

* Performances of the drama "The Shadow Box," will be held on Feb. 16-18 and 23-25 at 8 p.m., and Feb. 19 and 26 at 2 p.m. in the Klein Theatre, duPont Hall. Admission is \$2 for MWC students and senior citizens and \$6 for general admission. For more information call the MWC Box Office at (703) 899-4330.

* Rape Aggression Defense Systems, R.A.D., will be holding a Thursday class on Feb. 29, 7-10 p.m., and a Sunday class on Feb. 12, 7-10 p.m. For more information or to register call 899-4634 or stop by 104B Lee Hall.

* R.A.D. is also offering chemical weapons training for MWC students. Classes will be held on Feb. 16, 19, 23 and 26 from 7-9 p.m. Registration is \$10. For more information or to register call 899-4634.

* CPR Peer Educators are offering courses in adult CPR, community first aid and safety and standard first aid, as well as challenge courses in all three areas. There are three classes per course, and challenge courses are shorter, consisting of only a video and test. Instruction for each regular classes lasts from three and a half hours to four hours. Classes will be held in the Ballroom of Lee Hall. Participants should pick up an information sheet and registration form in the Campus Center and send the form and payment a week prior to the class date c/o Shannon Knapp Box MWC 2229.

* The Free Lance-Star will award a \$2,500 internship to a minority college student for a 10-week period during the summer of 1995. Interns will cover events, interview newsmakers and write stories for publication. Eligibility includes the desire for a career in journalism, be a rising junior, senior or graduating senior in college. Send a cover letter, resume and five to six writing samples to The Free Lance-Star, Minority Journalism Internship, 616 Amelia Street, Fredericksburg, Va. 22401 by Feb. 10, 1995.

* Virginia Blood Services' donor center, located at 3940 Plank Road, Suite V, is requesting volunteers to give blood for children and other patients who depend on lifesaving blood transfusions. The center is open Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 1-8 p.m. For more information call 786-3491 or (804) 356-5100.

* ASSE International Student Exchange Programs is seeking local host families for boys and girls from Scandinavia, France, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Germany, Holland, Great Britain, Poland, the Newly Independent States of the former Soviet Union, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Switzerland, Mexico, Brazil, Japan, Canada, Australia and New Zealand. Students are 15 to 18 years of age and coming to this area for the upcoming high school year. Those persons interested in obtaining more information about becoming a host family or an exchange student should contact ASSE's local representative Judy Siele at (703) 786-4450 or 1-800-677-2773.

* James Madison University is opening recruitment for the Fall 1995 and Spring 1996 International Internship positions. Complete details and application materials are available for approximately fifty position each semester in ten countries. Interested students may request information directly from Judy Cohen, Program Coordinator, at Paul Street House, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Va. 22807, (703) 568-6979, fax (703) 568-3310. The deadline for applications for both semesters is March 13.

* The Woodbridge Campus of Northern Virginia Community College (NOVA) is seeking proposals for the First Annual Undergraduate Conference on Issues of Social Tolerance to be held on Saturday, April 22, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Proposals may include research papers, posters, art work, film/videotape, live poetry and symposia/panel discussions. The deadline for submitting proposals has been extended to Feb. 22. To receive registration information call Alicia Grodsky at (703) 878-5650 or the Division of Business and Social Sciences at (703) 878-5712.

* The Indiana University Center on Philanthropy is seeking student applicants for the Jane Addams Fellowships in Philanthropy program. The fellowship awards recent graduates with a bachelor's degree, including seniors anticipating graduation, \$15,000 for the year and 12 credits toward a graduate degree. Application deadline is Feb. 17. For more information, contact the IU Center on Philanthropy, 550 West North Street, Suite 301, Indianapolis, IN 46202, or call (317) 274-4200.

POLICE BEAT

By Jeremy Cline
Bulletin Staff Writer

Theft

* On Jan. 31 a student reported that their ATM card had been stolen and used.

* On Feb. 2 a teapot was stolen in Randolph Hall.

* On Feb. 2 some popcorn was stolen in Randolph Hall.

* On Feb. 4 a bicycle was stolen outside of Mason Hall. The bicycle was valued at \$350.

* On Feb. 1 there was an administrative seizure of alcohol in Marshall Hall.

DUI/DIP

* On Feb. 3 Esther Motz, a non-student of Fredericksburg, was arrested for driving under the

influence (DUI) on the corner of Brent St. and College Ave.

* On Feb. 5 an intoxicated student in Virginia Hall was taken to the health center.

Vandalism

* On Feb. 4 a window in Russell Hall was broken with a snowball.

* On Feb. 5 a car on Goolrick Dr. was vandalized. A window of the vehicle was broken, apparently, by a snowball.

Misc.

* On Jan. 30 there was a third party sexual assault report on campus.

* On Feb. 1 a visitor slipped on the ice outside of Seacobeck Hall and was injured. She later went to the hospital on her own.

* On Feb. 1 there was a report of suspicious people in the woods near Goolrick Hall. No one was found.

* On Feb. 1 there was a report from the health center of unauthorized phone calls by an employee. The matter has been referred to the personnel office.

* On Feb. 3 there was an individual sleeping in his car on College Ave. What is believed to be a controlled substance was found and the matter is still under investigation.

* On Feb. 4 Ryan Lewis, a non-student of Fredericksburg, was charged, during a traffic stop, with carrying a concealed weapon.

* On Feb. 4 a student was injured in Goolrick Hall while playing basketball. He refused medical treatment.

* On Feb. 6 there was a report of credit card theft and fraud in Randolph Hall. The incident apparently involve an MWC Voice Services Card. It is still under investigation.

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budget bills and will work up to a compromise before Feb. 25, the last day of the session.

"They will now go to conference committee to hammer out the differences between the two proposals and come up with one they can agree on. Then the governor gets the General Assembly budget bill, and he has the option in Virginia to line item veto, so it isn't over yet," said MacDowell.

Nobody in Allen's or Secretary of Education Beverly Sgro's offices was available to comment on the House and the Senate budget bill.

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BIRTH CONTROL CLINIC CONTINUES

The Birth Control Clinic offered by the Student Health Center is continuing this semester. The clinic is open to those women who wish to start a prescription method of contraception and are not already using a contraceptive prescribed by another clinic or private physician.

Women who have been seen in the Student Health Center Birth Control Clinic before are also eligible to continue using this service.

All first time participants must attend one of the Birth Control Education Classes presented by the AIDS/STD Peer Educators prior to making an appointment. Call the Wellness Office at extension 4932 for information or to register for a class.

Students will be seen in the Birth Control Clinic by appointment only. Appointments must be made in person at the Student Health Center week days between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm. There is an annual non-refundable charge of \$35.00, payable at the time an appointment is made.

The clinics are held every Tuesday morning from 9:00 am to 11:00 am.

Recycling Facts

* Each glass bottle recycled saves enough energy to light a 100 watt bulb for four hours.

* Every two weeks enough glass to fill the World Trade Center in New York City is thrown away.

Senate Beat

By Carl Poole
Bulletin Staff Writer

Senate president Todd Palcic announced that Publicity Committee Co-chairwoman Kimberlee Danosky resigned. Palcic read a letter from Danosky to Senate, stating that she had resigned for academic reasons. According to Amber Auld, Student Government Association secretary, Danosky's replacement as publicity chair will be Jessica Graham, the SGA's current press secretary.

Palcic also announced that the SGA Executive Board made suggestions responding to constitutional changes proposed by the Association of Residence Halls. The ARH will resubmit its proposal to the SGA Executive Board.

James Anderson, rules and procedures committee co-chairman, announced that nominations for SGA executive positions will be held Feb. 22. Elections will be held March 1. Anderson says he plans to have all senators run the elections from their respective residence halls, and commuting senators will handle ballots from the Campus Center.

Welfare Committee Co-chairman Mark McClure told Senate that the SGA Mail-A-Thon will start next week. SGA, attempting to recruit more volunteers for the mailroom, will offer a \$50 prize each to the individual and organization who volunteers the most hours.

McClure also summarized the year's outstanding motions, stating that in April the BOV will examine proposals for a student recreation room in either the Great Hall or a meeting room on the second floor of the Campus Center. McClure stated that the committee is still developing motions for a student shuttle system to transport students to train and bus stations before holiday breaks and a soda machine for Trinkle Hall.

Handbook Revision Committee Co-chairpersons Brenna Wolfe and Mike Dungan told Senate that Dean of Students Joanne Beck said that intoxicated students who go to the Health Center will still be subject to sanctions, under any circumstances. However, according to Wolfe, first offense sanctions would only be a four and a half hour alcohol education session.

Geof Hart, legislative action committee co-chairman, came to Senate to sign up senators to attend next Wednesday's General Assembly Day. SGA is sponsoring a charter bus

to drive students to Richmond to spend the day talking to state delegates in support of higher education funding.

Randolph Senator Beth Moss moved that the Welfare Committee review the policy regarding administrators abiding by the Honor Code. Currently, there is no stipulation that administrators follow the Honor Code. The motion passed.

Bushnell Senator Fred Speer moved that the Student Opinions Committee poll the campus regarding a shuttle service to surrounding areas, such as Spotsylvania Mall. The motion passed.

Safety Committee Co-chairman Jim Turnes moved that the Welfare Committee examine the efficacy of dish cleaning in Seacobeck. The motion failed. McClure, an employee at Seacobeck, stated that dining hall complaints are customer service issues that should not involve Senate.

Student Opinion Committee Co-chairman Jason Terril moved that the Academic Affairs Committee look into requesting that students working for the yearbook receive one academic credit. The motion passed.

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positively and then left the building. About four days into Winter Break, Merrill called Gibson, saying that there was a problem with the test. According to Gibson, Merrill said that in sentences Gibson wrote on her exam, the subjects she used were similar to those of a classmate's, though the verbs were different. Therefore, Gibson said Merrill accused her of cheating on that part of the exam. However, according to Gibson, this was at most coincidental.

According to Gibson, the next to last student left the exam at 2:30 p.m. Gibson said Merrill told the Honor Council that he saw her in the hallway around the same time. Therefore, said Gibson, she would have had less than five minutes to copy answers from other tests on the desk in the front of the room.

"If I were to have copied as many answers as I allegedly did, I would have had to go through all the tests, which would have taken a long time, not five minutes," explained Gibson.

"There wasn't enough evidence between the two [tests] to convict her [for the other student]. The only reason she was convicted was because she was the last to leave," said Ron Gibson, Gibson's father.

Although the Honor Council usually charges students who give help on exams, the student she allegedly cheated from was dismissed due to a lack of evidence.

The evidence, according to Gibson and her father, was circumstantial.

"They had no proof whatsoever of her cheating. Nobody saw her do it, it was the professor's opinion," commented Ron Gibson.

Gibson also hired lawyer Jennifer Parrish to explain her case to the Honor Council. Parrish declined to comment as the appeals process is still pending.

Parrish, according to Ron Gibson, was able to participate in the trial. She questioned the accused as well as Gibson, playing the role of a regular courthouse lawyer.

Gibson also claimed Merrill questioned her motives for taking the final, knowing that she was going to take the course over again in summer school. According to Gibson, though, this point is moot.

"Why would I cheat on the final if I was taking the course over again anyway?" she questioned.

During the trial, Gibson said the Honor Council allowed no character witnesses, which seemed to be in direct contrast with the mock trial she witnessed as an incoming freshman during freshmen orientation, the week before the fall semester began. In the mock trial, the accused student, in a similar situation as Gibson, was able to have witnesses to testify on his behalf.

"[Incoming freshmen] all came in ignorant of the Honor System and the mock trial was a complete misrepresentation of how the Honor Council works," said Lipani.

The reasoning for the Internet campaign, according to Cancelleri, is to inform the student body of the flaws in the Honor System, as exemplified by the Gibson case.

"First and foremost," said Bloomfield, "we want people to know that this is not directed at Dr. Merrill, the jurors or the people within the Council."

Goldman agreed, "It's the problems with the system and not with the people. We just don't want this to happen to anybody else."

Brown's letter caught the attention of Lipani, who has been corresponding with Brown and his friends in hopes of changing certain aspects of the Honor Constitution through a referendum.

The letter has received a variety of replies, most of which have been positive.

"[The replies] have been mostly supportive. If they care to respond we give them our names so they can give us their arguments personally," explained Bloomfield. "It's not like we're trying to hide," she added.

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W ON CAMPUS WALK

Wackenhut Dismissed For Leaving Post

Jeffery Serret, a Wackenhut Security officer posted in Jefferson Hall, was barred from campus as a result of having left his post on January 18th and 19th. Serret was overseeing the workers who were installing telecommunications cable in the dorm.

Recent incidents in dorms where students' property was moved, missing or misplaced following work on the telecommunications project have prompted campus police to keep a sharper eye on the proceedings of the project.

"We received information from the contractors that a Wackenhut officer was missing from his post in the dormitory. We located the officer and Wackenhut was contacted. We were forced to bar the officer from campus. For us, it was a matter of policy. Wackenhut handled it as a personnel

problem," said Police Sergeant Richard Knick.

Campus police charged Serret with attempting to obtain money under false pretenses when he claimed to have been working at a time he was not. Serret stated that he was present from 7 a.m. until 5 p.m. Jan. 18-19.

However, according to campus police reports, Serret left his post Jan. 18 at 1 p.m. and did not return. The next day he left his post at 11 a.m. and did not return until after 2 p.m.

Wackenhut Security terminated Serret's employment, according to campus police incident reports.

Carol Martin, assistant vice president for computer resources, who is one of the administrators directly involved with the project, said that she had no knowledge that the incident has disrupted or stalled the project in any way.

- Leigh Buckley Fountain

ARA To Start Concession At Stadium

Along with the first pitch at the new baseball stadium on Feb. 25, the new concession stand will be up to bat.

The concession stand, located underneath the stands, will be serving a "basic ballpark menu," according to junior Carolyn Floyd, chairwoman of the Senate committee for dining services. This includes hot dogs, chili dogs, peanuts, popcorn, candy

bars, nachos and cheese, hot chocolate, coffee and sodas.

According to Gordon Inge, director of food services, ARA Food Service funds will be used to stock the stand. Inge said that ARA student employees will be working at the stand.

"I'm not sure if it will be strictly catering services. That's yet to be determined," Inge said.

- Lisa Erickson

Bullet Wins Journalism Awards

The Bulletin has won recognition in two national journalism associations, the Society of Professional Journalists' 1994 Mark of Excellence Contest and the Columbia Scholastic Press Association annual critique.

Senior Kendra Williams, Bulletin associate editor, won second place in the "Feature Writing" category of the SPJ Mark of Excellence Contest for the article "Internet Abuse On The Rise As MWC Joins Ranks Of Colleges Affected By Network Hackers" in the Feb. 17, 1994 issue of the Bulletin. Junior Adam Fike, Bulletin news editor, won honorable mention in the "Spot News Reporting" category for the article "Skittles' Tools For Assault Of Police Officer After 195th Night" in the Nov. 3, 1994

issue of the Bulletin. Entries were judged in the Region 2 category, including articles from college and university newspapers in Maryland, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Virginia and North Carolina. There were 21 entries in the "Feature Writing" category and 18 entries in the "Spot News Reporting" category.

The Bulletin received First Place award from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association for the 1993-1994 publishing year.

The newspapers were critiqued by the CSPJ and awarded 893 points out of 1000 for the Fall 1993 semester and 881 points out of 1000 for the Spring 1994 semester. The Bulletin was also recommended for an All-Columbian honor in the "General Operations" category.

- Jill Golden

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Felix and Michael Prensky sat out Tuesday's win over Gallaudet. Though Felix was not on the summons concerning the party's activities, Davies suspended him for team violations. Junior Mike Johnson, sophomore Justin McCarthy, and freshmen Bursch and Christian Canino will sit out Thursday's game against Goucher, the defending CAC champions.

Freshmen Vanessa Facenda, a former player, and Ben Phelps were also named as underage drinkers on May's summons.

Swimming has also had problems with team violations concerning alcohol this semester. Co-captain senior Jim Resio hosted a party in the same Greenbriar apartment complex, causing a number of MWC swimmers to miss the Marymount meet.

"To get away from the books, students think the only alternative is partying and drinking, which is sad," said Marc Brown, swimming coach. "The only outlet students seem to think they have is drinking and we have to provide an alternative."

Did You Know?

* Every day Americans use enough steel and tin cans to make a steel pipe running from Los Angeles to New York...and back again.

* The aluminum beverage can returns to the grocer's shelf as a new, filled can in as little as 90 days after collection.

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day and driving," Smith said.

Smith was taken to the emergency room, where doctors inserted a tube through his chest wall into his lung to create a vacuum that would reinflate his lung. Over the course of the next two weeks, surgeons inserted a second tube and performed arthroscopic surgery to staple the hole in Smith's lung shut.

Smith said doctors told him his lung had probably collapsed a week before classes started, even though he did not experience any severe pain. Although he had breathing problems and grew weak during the three weeks before he was treated, Smith said he was not in pain until his treatment started.

"I was in pain from the two tubes in my chest, which were connected to machines, and from separated ribs [from surgery to staple the lung closed]," Smith said.

Health Center Associate Director Nancy Yates said that procedures for handling cases such as Smith's depend on the patient's symptoms.

"Dr. Overman writes the guidelines [which nurses follow]. If it's the middle of the night, the nurse won't send the patient to a doctor, unless it is life-threatening. A lot depends on the symptoms and what the nurse hears [by the stethoscope]," Yates said.

Yates said that even though a

collapsed lung is serious and uncomfortable, Smith's life probably was not in danger.

"If he went two weeks [with a collapsed lung], then it was obviously not life-threatening. He would have been more comfortable sooner. Obviously there was more discomfort than anything," Yates said.

However, a collapsed lung is a serious condition, said Mary Depathey, registered nurse at the emergency room at the Mary Washington Hospital.

"It's a very serious trauma. The body can function with one lung, but it can cause a big stress on the body," Depathey said.

According to Yates, collapsed lungs should be inflated as soon as possible, depending on the circumstances and cause of the collapse.

"It can be an inconvenience," said Yates.

If the nurse had recognized Smith's symptoms as a possible respiratory distress, Yates said, she should have contacted the physician

on call. The doctor would have then decided whether to send Smith to the emergency room or keep him in the Health Center overnight for Overman to examine him the morning.

Mark McClure, chair of the Senate Welfare Committee, said that a committee member mentioned Smith's experience in a meeting, and moved that the Welfare Committee investigate the Health Center. Ben Sutton, Senate vice president, suggested contacting the American Medical Association, and McClure said the committee is also looking into state regulatory boards.

As a result of Smith's experience, he said he is never going back to the Health Center again. His parents told him to go to a "real doctor."

Smith is coughing fluid up from his lungs, and is weak and pale. Also, he cannot lift heavy weights, go running, or play Frisbee as he used to.

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By Thomas Moeller
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The hard fact is that school systems, the courts, and social service agencies are being swamped with children who are experiencing more numerous and more serious psychological disturbances at even younger ages than in days gone by.

A disproportionate number of these children are born to poor, never-married mothers who may still be teenagers themselves. If there is an adult male in the home, it's often not the father, a situation which dramatically increases the likelihood of abuse toward both the mother and children.

In all too many cases, the homes of these children are rife with alcohol and drug use, especially crack cocaine. Last spring, the General Accounting Office (GAO) conducted a study of children who, in 1991, were placed in foster care before the age of three. Of these, 78 percent had at least one parent who was a drug abuser, up from 52 percent only five years previously.

A stark example of the kind of lives which many of these children face is an incident in suburban Atlanta this past December. School authorities found a \$700 cache of cocaine in the book bag of an eight-year-old boy.

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Police, raiding the apartment where the boy lived with his mother, arrested the mother's boyfriend and another male for selling drugs from the apartment. The mother also had a history of drug arrests.

An even more drastic example occurred about a year ago in Chicago, where police, looking for drug dealers, found instead children belonging to six mothers (all sisters) crammed into an apartment reeking with feces.

What will happen to these children and others like them? We would like to believe that some type of massive intervention program would get the fathers involved in their children's lives, cure the mothers' drug problems, help the parents get "respectable" jobs, and become responsible for their children. And, in some cases, it might. Realistically, however, such turnarounds are more rare than typical, especially if the parents are unmarried and the mother is on crack.

But what about foster care? Unfortunately, that is no panacea, either. Although it is estimated that 500,000 children will need foster care in 1995, there were only 125,000 foster homes in 1991, and that number was dropping dramatically. According to the GAO, an average of 60 percent of foster parents stop providing care within one year of beginning.

The upshot of all this is that the future for many of today's welfare children is bleak. They are much more likely than their peers to do poorly in school, to drop out before graduating from high school, to father and mother children at a young age out of wedlock, to have poor employment

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Life After Graduation Uncertain For Some Seniors

By Lisa Black
Guest Columnist

This May, 915 seniors will be graduating. As seniors, we all see this as the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow; but for most of us, the eminently approaching graduation elicits fearful, anxiety-ridden emotions as well.

Wasn't it just yesterday when we were sitting in our college orientation groups full of anticipation for the "college experience" with an excitement that had been with us the moment we left through the doors of our high schools? Or for those of us who transferred, didn't it seem like starting all over again was an insurmountable process? Well, somehow these years have flown by, the senior checklists are complete, and the cap and gown orders have been placed. One hundredth night is even a thing of the past — a night we vicariously lived through our now

alumni friends year after year. Now our turn has come and gone.

For those of you who have no qualms about graduating, more power to you. The rest of us are not plagued by the actual ceremony on May 6, but rather the realization that we must then decide the answer to, "Now, what?" After high school, that decision was pretty basic; we all knew we were going to college and had four years to put off thinking about the "real world." We had a place to live, someone to cook meals for us, a preordained schedule of where we needed to be and when. Granted, with college life came a certain amount of freedom and responsibility. Never before, though, have we been faced with such a monumental decision.

Some seniors already have plans for future education. While the idea of graduate school is somewhat overwhelming, the actual job search is postponed for a while. Others know exactly what type of job they

want, have sent out their resumes, are venturing out on interviews weekly, and already have assured their accountants that the money will be rolling in seconds after receiving their diplomas. Again, more power to you.

The final category of seniors can be classified as the "clueless crowd." Ask any member of this group what their future plans are, and you will hear anything from "returning to my old summer job (i.e., 'would you like fries with that?')," "traveling around Europe," "driving cross country," "maybe taking a class or two," and "breaking into show business" to the generic "letting out the want-ads." Are these seniors devoid any chance of "making it" in this world or are we smart to take a break, to take our time and avoid possible burnout? Won't it be interesting to see which of us are really the successful ones 10 years from now?

But then again, what constitutes success? Is it a big paycheck and high prestige, doing something we feel

will really make a difference in this world or simply finding inner peace and happiness? Maybe it is all three. In reality there is a multitude of opportunities for us out there, which is why the decision is so hard.

My dilemma is that I have avoided seriously thinking about this issue until recently. I studied abroad in Spain last semester only to come home and realize that my "real" senior year, which should be the time to explore career opportunities, has diminished to a measly four months. Yes, I classify myself under the "clueless crowd" and am besieged by this persistent fear of the unknown. I am coming to realize, however, that I will eventually figure it out and being "clueless" is not a crime. I share the sentiments of many of my classmates that we are ready to move on, whatever path that we choose.

Lisa Black is a senior psychology major, and plans to graduate in May 1995.

Letters to the Editor

Student Relates Personal Experience to Protest

I am writing in response to the Feb. 2 article titled "Peer Education Protests Marines." I am currently under discharge proceedings by the United States Army because of my (bi)sexual orientation. I enlisted into the U.S. Army Reserves (USAR) two years ago as a senior in high school. I was recruited by one of many visiting recruiters.

At the time I enlisted I was unsure of my (bi)sexual orientation. I did not grow up in a queer-friendly environment and was not exposed to the gay community. As I became increasingly aware of my true identity I worried about my involvement with the military. I had already signed my contract and couldn't go back.

I went through my six months of training and joined my unit in Pasadena. Upon my arrival I had already decided to "come-out." I hired a lawyer and after four months of legal preparations I submitted a letter to my commander. He immediately scheduled a criminal hearing, thereby informing me that he would recommend me for an honorable discharge. This was nine months ago and I am still a member of the USAR today.

I would like to point out that I probably would not have enlisted if the recruiter hadn't approached me. At 17 years of age, who knows exactly who they are or what they want? Perhaps there are a few people who know everything at an early age, but most of us do not. Most ads that I see today focus on money for college and other "benefits." This is probably the most misleading of all recruiting strategies. The military is for serving your country, nothing else.

Recently I conducted a 4 page survey among 13 of my Army friends. Eighty-three percent of the respondents stated that their recruiter advised them not to tell the military physician about minor physical injuries. Some may argue that there is no harm in making such an advertisement, but I believe it is dangerous. A minor physical injury may become severe under the pressure of military training. Several individuals from my platoon were medically discharged because of previous injuries. Those situations could have been prevented.

In addition, 83 percent stated that their recruiters did not discuss with them, in detail, the possibility of a combat situation. That same percentage, however, stated that their recruiters discussed with them, in detail, all of their benefits, particularly college money.

Although my study is small, and I personally know all of the respondents, I believe it well represents who is in the Army today. My respondents are of different sexes, educational backgrounds and geographic regions. They are all between the ages of 18-25. Only one individual was not in for the money.

As for studies, RAND Corporation recently published "Nonconforming Sexual Orientation and the U.S. Military: Options and Assessment." Although it is the most comprehensive study about gays in the military to date, I have yet to hear of it as being the possible link between ignorance and acceptance for gays in the military. I hope that something will come of this soon, but for now, I am so pleased to know that there exists an organization such as the Peer Education group. I believed that the efforts made by these individuals and others are part of the

growing foundation of human civilization.

Inger Brink
Sophomore

ARH Defends Winter Theme Contest

In response to the Jan. 19 column entitled "ARH Holiday Decorating Contest Leaves Little Room for Diversity," by Eleanor Stanford, Association of Residence Halls (ARH) as a body has taken this opportunity to explain our policy concerning the Winter Theme Decorating Contest.

As a public institution we are required by law to abide by specific state mandated regulations concerning the separation between church and state. It is for these reasons that the Winter Theme was adopted by the association. To ensure understanding of the most recent Supreme Court decisions involving the separation of church and state, ARH met with the Council on Community Values and Behavioral

Expectations, who recommended contest guidelines favored by the college. Upon discussion, the ARH approved these measures unanimously.

Steeped in tradition, the ARH sponsored Winter Theme Decorating Contest has annually provided each residence hall with the opportunity to express community spirit, create a sense of togetherness, but most importantly, to ease the strain of final exams by just simply having fun.

This year, ARH is proud to announce that over 95 percent of the residence halls participated in the Winter Theme Decorating Contest. All of the residence halls exhibited hard work and creativity, with many residents volunteering their time and resources.

ARH would like to apologize to all the individuals who felt alienated by the decorating activities. The intent of the contest was not to cause controversy, but to continue a tradition which has provided dorm unity and fun throughout exam week.

We congratulate all of the hall

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councils and their residents for making this year's contest one of the most successful ever. Thank you.

Bushnell and Virginia Hall tied for first prize in the large dorm category. South and Marye Halls tied for first prize in the small dorm category. Marshall Hall placed third for, large dorms. Mercer Hall also placed third for small dorms.

Deborah Herron
Senior
On Behalf of ARH

MWC Religious
Community Joins For
Interfaith Worship

As we watch the world's events unfold around us, we see similar conflicts mirrored in the everyday bustle at MWC. One such division is the existence of multiple religious organizations on campus, all of whom seem to want to have nothing to do with one another, or so we thought. Last spring Cedric Rucker, dean of student activities, held a "Bridging the Gap" program during Jewish Student Association/Hillel Week, in which about 15 students representing most of the campus' major religious

communities just happened to come together in the same room. The program was canceled due to the unfortunate death of Dr. Sue Hanna, who taught at MWC for 26 years, but the students remained, praying together for Sue and staying to talk. That night we discussed our ignorance of one another's religions, our desire to learn more, and our hope to create some type of community with each other on campus.

The presidents of Hillel, Campus Christian Community (CCC) and the Catholic Student Association (CSA) planned to organize some activities together, and last fall a rudimentary program for an interfaith council was discussed at the CCC opening picnic. Since that time, leaders from the JSA, Hillel, CSA, CCC, Baptist Student Union, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Interservice have met together on a regular basis. The meetings, chock full of ice-breakers and good food, brought Mary Washington students together with a goal of mutual understanding and respect. We saw differences and similarities and strove to relate to one another on a personal level while discussing the religions which could either bring us together or pull us apart. After the years of apparent religious groups' leaders, a unity

whose arrival was natural and effortless. We hoped to spread this feeling among our various organizations, and decided that the best method would be to plan an interfaith event, the '80s Dance which took place a couple of weeks ago in the Underground. We rocked to awesome '80s music, played limbo and freeze-dance, gave gift certificates as prizes, and even saw some break-dancing! People who dropped in for one song stayed all night, even after we shut down, and others helped us clean up and put the place back in order.

To many students, maybe it was just another dance. But to some of us, who sat around learning how easy it was to "bridge the gap," it was the first step towards what we all strive for separately: peace, love, respect and understanding.

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opportunities, and to repeat the cycle of dependency and despair.

Now what might happen if these children, or at least those in the most dire straits, were placed in well-run institutions (call them "boarding schools" if you don't like the word "orphanages")?

First and foremost, the children would experience a stable and secure environment. They would have adequate clothing, a good diet, and could be taught a variety of practical daily living skills. They would have appropriate role models. They would experience the care, structure, and discipline which psychological research has found to be so important for children's sound development.

Young children could attend preschool education programs, while older children could attend good schools which challenged them and expected them to learn. In all of this, the goal would be to teach children the personal and academic skills

which they would need to succeed as adults.

Meantime, their mothers, not needing to worry about caring for their children, could look for a job or perhaps go back to school. They might receive counseling for any drug abuse or emotional problems. They could be taught job skills, personal finance management, and child care principles. They might get married. Eventually, they might be self-sufficient enough to regain custody of their children.

Nobody claims that this solution would be ideal, nor that it would be inexpensive. But chances are that children placed in such "orphanages" would have a better chance of developing into happier and more productive adults than do many children now caught in our welfare and foster-care system.

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The hard fact is that school systems, the courts, and social service agencies are being swamped with children who are experiencing more numerous and more serious psychological disturbances at even younger ages than in days gone by.

A disproportionate number of these children are born to poor, never-married mothers who may still be teenagers themselves. If there is an adult male in the home, it's often not the father, a situation which dramatically increases the likelihood of abuse toward both the mother and children.

In all too many cases, the homes of these children are rife with alcohol and drug use, especially crack cocaine. Last spring, the General Accounting Office (GAO) conducted a study of children who, in 1991, were placed in foster care before the age of three. Of these, 78 percent had at least one parent who was a drug abuser, up from 52 percent only five years previously.

A stark example of the kind of lives which many of these children face is an incident in suburban Atlanta this past December. School authorities found a \$700 cache of cocaine in the book bag of an eight-year-old boy.

Police, raiding the apartment where the boy lived with his mother, arrested the mother's boyfriend and another male for selling drugs from the apartment. The mother also had a history of drug arrests.

An even more drastic example occurred about a year ago in Chicago, where police, looking for drug dealers, found instead children belonging to six mothers (all sisters) crammed into an apartment reeking with feces.

What will happen to these children and others like them? We would like to believe that some type of massive intervention program would get

the fathers involved in their children's lives, cure the mothers' drug problems, help the parents get "respectable" jobs, and become responsible for their children. And, in some cases, it might. Realistically, however, such turnarounds are more rare than typical, especially if the parents are unmarried and the mother is on crack.

But what about foster care? Unfortunately, that is no panacea, either. Although it is estimated that 500,000 children will need foster care in 1995, there were only 125,000 foster

homes in 1991, and that number was dropping dramatically. According to the GAO, an average of 60 percent of foster parents stop providing care within one year of beginning.

The upshot of all this is that the future for many of today's welfare children is bleak. They are much more likely than their peers to do poorly in school, to drop out before graduating from high school, to father and mother children at a young age out of wedlock, to have poor employment

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Life After Graduation Uncertain For Some Seniors

By Lisa Black
Guest Columnist

This May, 915 seniors will be graduating. As seniors, we all see this as the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow; but for most of us, the eminently approaching graduation elicits fearful, anxiety-ridden emotions as well.

Wasn't it just yesterday when we were sitting in our college orientation groups full of anticipation for the "college experience" with an excitement that had been with us the moment we left through the doors of our high schools? Or for those of us who transferred, didn't it seem like starting all over again was an insurmountable process? Well, somehow these years have flown by, the senior checklists are complete, and the cap and gown orders have been placed. One hundredth night is even a thing of the past — a night we vicariously lived through our now

alumni friends year after year. Now our turn has come and gone.

For those of you who have no qualms about graduating, more power to you. The rest of us are not plagued by the actual ceremony on May 6, but rather the realization that we must then decide the answer to, "Now what?" After high school, that decision was pretty basic; we all knew we were going to college and had four years to put off thinking about the "real world." We had a place to live, someone to cook meals for us, a preordained schedule of where we needed to be and when. Granted, with college life came a certain amount of freedom and responsibility. Never before, though, have we been faced with such a monumental decision.

Some seniors already have plans for future education. While the idea of graduate school is somewhat overwhelming, the actual job search is postponed for a while. Others know exactly what type of job they

want, have sent out their resumes, are venturing out on interviews weekly, and already have assured their accountants that the money will be rolling in seconds after receiving their diplomas. Again, more power to you.

The final category of seniors can be classified as the "clueless crowd." Ask any member of this group what their future plans are, and you will hear something like "returning to my old summer job (i.e., 'would you like fries with that?');" "traveling around Europe;" "driving cross country;" "maybe taking a class or two;" and "breaking into show business" to the generic "getting out the want-ads." Are these seniors devoid any chance of "making it" in this world or are we smart to take a break, to take our time and avoid possible burnout? Won't it be interesting to see which of us are really the successful ones 10 years from now?

But then again, what constitutes success? Is it a big paycheck and high prestige, doing something we feel

will really make a difference in this world or simply finding inner peace and happiness? Maybe it is all three. In reality there is a multitude of opportunities for us out there, which is why the decision is so hard.

My dilemma is that I have avoided seriously thinking about this issue until recently. I studied abroad in Spain last semester only to come home and realize that my "real" senior year, which should be the time to explore career opportunities, has diminished to a measly four months. Yes, I classify myself under the "clueless crowd" and am besieged by this persistent fear of the unknown. I am coming to realize, however, that I will eventually figure it out and being "clueless" is not a crime. I share the sentiments of many of my classmates that we are ready to move on, whatever path that we choose.

Lisa Black is a senior psychology major, and plans to graduate in May 1995.

Letters to the Editor

Student Relates Personal Experience to Protest

I am writing in response to the Feb. 2 article titled "Peer Education Protests Marines." I am currently under discharge proceedings by the United States Army because of my (bisexual) orientation. I enlisted into the U.S. Army Reserves (USAR) two years ago as a senior in high school. I was recruited by one of many visiting recruiters.

At the time I enlisted I was unsure of my (bisexual) orientation. I did not grow up in a queer-friendly environment and was not exposed to the gay community. As I became increasingly aware of my true identity I worried about my involvement with the military. I had already signed my contract and couldn't go back.

I went through six months of training and joined my unit in Pusan. Upon my arrival I had already decided to "come-out." I hired a lawyer and after four months of legal preparations I submitted a letter to my commander. He immediately scheduled a criminal hearing, thereby informing me that he would recommend me for an honorable discharge. This was nine months ago and I am still a member of the USAR today.

I would like to point out that I probably would not have enlisted if the recruiter hadn't approached me. At 17 years of age, who knows exactly who they are or what they want? Perhaps there are a few people who know everything at an early age, but most of us do not. Most ads that I see today focus on money for college and other "benefits." This is probably the most misleading of all recruiting strategies. The military is for serving your country, nothing else.

Recently I conducted a 4 page survey among 15 of my Army friends. Eighty-three percent of the respondents stated that their recruiter advised them not to tell the military physician about minor physical injuries. Some may argue that there is no harm in making such an advertisement, but I believe it is dangerous. A minor physical injury may become severe under the pressure of military training. Several individuals from my platoon were medically discharged because of previous injuries. Those situations could have been prevented.

In addition, 83 percent stated that their recruiters did not discuss with them, in detail, the possibility of a combat situation. That same percentage, however, stated that their recruiters discussed with them, in detail, all of their benefits, particularly college money.

Although my study is small, and I personally know all of the respondents, I believe it well represents who is in the Army today. My respondents are of different sexes, educational backgrounds and geographic regions. They are all between the ages of 18-25. Only one individual was not in the military.

As for studies, RAND Corporation recently published "Nonconforming Sexual Orientation and the U.S. Military: Options and Assessment." Although it is the most comprehensive study about gays in the military to date, I have yet to hear of it as being the possible link between ignorance and acceptance for gays in the military. I hope that something will come of this soon, for now, I am so pleased to know that there exists an organization such as the Peer Education group. I believed that the efforts made by these individuals and others are part of the

growing foundation of human civilization.

Inger Brinck
Sophomore

ARH Defends Winter Theme Contest

In response to the Jan. 19 column entitled "ARH Holiday Decorating Contest Leaves Little Room for Diversity," by Eleanor Stanford, Association of Residence Halls (ARH) as a body has taken this opportunity to explain our policy concerning the Winter Theme Decorating Contest.

As a public institution we are required by law to abide by specific state mandated regulations concerning the separation between church and state. It is for these reasons that the Winter Theme was adopted by the association. To ensure understanding of the most recent Supreme Court decisions involving the separation of church and state, ARH met with the Council on Community Values and Behavioral

Expectations, who recommended contest guidelines favored by the college. Upon discussion, the ARH approved these measures unanimously.

Stepped in tradition, the ARH sponsored Winter Theme Decorating Contest has annually provided each residence hall with the opportunity to express community spirit, create a sense of togetherness, but most importantly, to ease the strain of final exams by just simply having fun.

This year, ARH is proud to announce that over 95 percent of the residence halls participated in the Winter Theme Decorating Contest. All of the residence halls exhibited hard work and creativity, with many residents volunteering their time and resources.

ARH would like to apologize to all the individuals who felt alienated by the decorating activities. The intent of the contest was not to cause controversy, but to continue a tradition which has provided dorm unity and fun throughout exam week.

We congratulate all of the hall

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councils and their residents for making this year's contest one of the most successful ever. Thank you.

Bushnell and Virginia Hall tied for first prize in the large dorm category. South and Marye Halls tied for first prize in the small dorm category. Marshall Hall placed third for, large doms. Mercer Hall also placed third for small dorms.

Deborah Herron
Senior
On Behalf of ARH

MWC Religious Community Joins For Interfaith Worship

As we watch the world's events unfold around us, we see similar conflicts mirrored in the everyday bustle at MWC. One such division is the existence of multiple religious organizations on campus, all of whom seem to want to have nothing to do with one another, or so we thought. Last spring Cedric Rucker, dean of student activities, held a "Bridging the Gap" program during Jewish Student Association/Hillel Week, in which about 15 students representing most of the campus' major religious

communities just happened to come together in the same room. The program was canceled due to the unfortunate death of Dr. Sue Hanna, who taught at MWC for 26 years, but the students remained, praying together for Sue and staying to talk. That night we discussed our ignorance of one another's religions, our desire to learn more, and our hope to create some type of community with each other on campus.

The presidents of Hillel, Campus Christian Community (CCC) and the Catholic Student Association (CSA) planned to organize some activities together, and last fall a rudimentary program for an interfaith council was discussed at the CCC opening picnic. Since that time, leaders from the JSA, Hillel, CSA, CCC, Baptist Student Union, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Interservice have met together on a regular basis. The meetings, chock full of ice-breakers and good food, brought Mary Washington students together with a goal of mutual understanding and respect. We saw differences and similarities and strove to relate to one another on a personal level while discussing the religions which could either bring us together or pull us apart. After the years of apparent religious groups' leaders, a unity

whose arrival was natural and effortless. We hoped to spread this feeling among our various organizations, and decided that the best method would be to plan an interfaith event, the '80s Dance which took place a couple of weeks ago in the Underground. We rocked to awesome '80s music, played limbo and freeze-dance, gave gift certificates as prizes, and even saw some break-dancing! People who dropped in for one song stayed all night, even after we shut down, and others helped us clean up and put the place back in order.

To many students, maybe it was just another dance. But to some of us, who sat around learning how easy it was to "bridge the gap," it was the first step towards what we all strive for separately: peace, love, respect and understanding.

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opportunities, and to repeat the cycle of dependency and despair.

Now what might happen if these children, or at least those in the most dire straits, were placed in well-run institutions (call them "boarding schools" if you don't like the word "orphanges")?

First and foremost, the children would experience a stable and secure environment. They would have adequate clothing, a good diet, and could be taught a variety of practical daily living skills. They would have appropriate role models. They would experience the care, structure, and discipline which psychological research has found to be so important for children's sound development.

Young children could attend preschool education programs, while older children could attend good schools which challenged them and expected them to learn. In all of this, the goal would be to teach children the personal and academic skills

which they would need to succeed as adults.

Meantime, their mothers, not needing to worry about caring for their children, could look for a job or perhaps go back to school. They might receive counseling for any drug abuse or emotional problems. They could be taught job skills, personal finance management, and child care principles. They might get married. Eventually, they might be self-sufficient enough to regain custody of their children.

Nobody claims that this solution would be ideal, nor that it would be inexpensive. But chances are that children placed in such "orphanges" would have a better chance of developing into happier and more productive adults than do many children now caught in our welfare and foster-care system.

Thomas Moeller is a professor of psychology.

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FEATURES

RESEARCH STRIVES TO BRING WORK PLACE TO THE HOME

MWC Professor Explores Possible Future Of Telecommuting



MWC professor Margaret Clayton researches telecommuting possibilities.

By Jenine Zimmers
Bulletin Assistant Features Editor

Mary Washington College faculty from a myriad of departments are exploring realms beyond the classroom. While striving to apply knowledge to practical areas of research, MWC professors are studying everything from pollution control to micro fossils in the Arctic. One of the professors is Margaret A. Clayton, assistant professor of business administration.

Clayton's research involves telecommuting, a field which may allow individuals to work for a company without leaving the comfort of their own home.

Telecommuting is becoming more accepted than it used to be, she said. According to the winter 1995 issue of MWC of "Today," Clayton believes, "The use of computers should allow many workers to perform much of their work at home in an uninterrupted environment."

However, much of her research involves considering the possible opposition to telecommuting.

One project Clayton has worked on is a nationwide survey of unions in an effort to determine whether unions supported or objected to telecommuting.

"Traditionally unions have been against telecommuting," Clayton said. "They feel it will lead to 'electronic sweatshops.' [The unions] believe that the people will be taken advantage of by their employers."

However, Clayton's findings

demonstrated that unions are now becoming more accustomed to telecommuting.

"We found out that there are some unions involved in setting up telecommuting programs, so not everyone is against it," Clayton said. "There's more involvement than in the past."

Though only approximately 20 out of 100 unions responded to her survey, Clayton said the large majority of the unions were in support of telecommuting. She said many of the unions who did not reply to the survey simply may not have any use for telecommuting in their work places, and are not necessarily against telecommuting.

Through research such as the survey, Clayton is becoming recognized in the field of telecommuting. After William Howell, a member of the Task Force on Telework and Telecommuting, nominated Clayton for a position on the Task Force, Virginia Governor George Allen appointed her to be an advisor for the organization.

In addition to the honor of being on the Task Force, Clayton is also recognized by international groups. She received two meritorious awards at the first annual conference of the International Telecommuting Advisory Council in Phoenix.

Clayton said the Telecommuting Advisory Council is an educational network group that deals with telecommuting. Clayton won an award at the conference for a book she wrote on telecommuting, a book that also enabled her to get her

doctorate last spring. The group also asked Clayton to work on "TeleTrends," the group's official newsletter.

"I was asked by the president of the International Telecommuting Advisory Council to be the editor of 'TeleTrends.' I was very flattered," Clayton said.

This past October, Clayton collaborated with D. Ziegenfuss, an expert in internal auditing from Old Dominion University, in giving a presentation on telecommuting and internal auditing in an effort to see how the two fields are related.

Clayton said her research is reflected by her teaching at MWC. In addition to her marketing classes, she teaches a business course, Managing Remote Workers. Her course is the first college credit class in the nation dealing with telecommuting.

"It's different from other classes, where you learn from the book. We do a lot of group work. It's more of a hands-on class, like you're learning from the experts," senior Joe Kirby said.

Amy Tubbs, who is completing her business major this spring, finds Clayton's class interesting as well.

"I feel like [telecommuting] is the latest thing in the business world. I'm glad our school offers it, because most schools probably don't have the professors to teach it. I'm really impressed with all the work [Clayton] is doing," Tubbs said.

Senior Heather Scott wrote a paper for Clayton's class last semester discussing how telecommuting can

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Valentine's Day Instills Hope For The Romantic The Month Of February May Be Expensive As The Price Of Roses Go Up

By Sunday Frey
Bulletin Staff Writer

It is a special time, a time for quiet celebrations. It is a day of anxiety for some as expectations for romance surmount. For others, it is a day to wear black and rebel against love. A candy coated time for chocolates and hearts and teddy bears and, of course, roses. In any case, the day is Feb. 14 and it is approaching fast.

The area florists are keeping busy, in fact, all the gifts this time of year can exhaust a wallet. The price of roses, a Valentine favorite, rose to two dollars, an increase of five cents.

"Tomorrow we have one heck of a shipment coming in, all these spring flowers," Giant florist Linda

Harris said.

The ideal Valentine's Day bears encounters of love, and when it comes to romance there is a story for everyone.

"Freshman year the guy I was dating was up in D.C. for a conference. I drove up with a card and some roses and we spent the day just walking around the city. It was the most romantic day," junior Susan Payne said.

Taking walks, whether it is along a beach, in the park or just down the street, seems to be high on the list for romantic types. Senior Beth Lizut spent last Valentine's Day in Russia with her Scottish flame. "We got to walk down the Nera River when it was frozen," Lizut said.

Everyone has a Valentine story, and for those who do not, well, that

is their story. Payne seems to have more than her share. There's the one about the good friend that showed up on her doorstep unexpectedly with 30 carnations and said, "I hope these make you as happy as you make me!" Payne's romantic encounter continued last Valentine's Day.

"Last year I had to drive home by myself. He was waiting at home with candles lit and a teddy bear with long stem roses when I got home," Payne said.

Junior Molly Horne has her own version of romance. "We were driving down I-95 when he pulled over. He picked a bunch of daisies and gave them to me, and kept on driving. He just said, 'These are for you.'"

Horne's fiancé managed to capture romance despite his limited budget, something appreciated by students

and faculty alike.

Joe Nicholas, assistant professor of geography, has trouble not spending money on Valentines Day. "We're in the money saving mode. If I buy anything, I'd be spending money," Nicholas said. "For our last Valentine's Day, I bought her a present and she said, 'I was in the dog house for a couple of days,' he said."

Not everyone's Valentine's Day is full of romance, however. Some say they have had down right bad ones. "I was with Mathias Svalina's did not end well."

"I had to go to my date to dinner and he got back kind of late. When I picked her up, someone had let the cat out and it ran right under my car as I pulled away," Svalina said.

For others, Valentine's Day is accompanied more by depression due

to unfulfilled expectations. "I've never gotten flowers," junior Jessica Ridhow said. "Except once I got a flower from a five-year-old boy that I baby-sat who was in love with me!"

Senior Wendi Cooke sympathizes with Ridhow's lament. "I've never really had a Valentine," Cooke said. "But it wouldn't even have to be flowers or chocolates or candlelight. Just going somewhere quiet to be together," she said.

Junior Sara Bickford would like some of that quality time with her Valentine, too. "This is the first time I've ever had a boyfriend on Valentine's Day, and now he's going to be 300 miles away," Bickford said. "I'll probably just get to send him a card."

Marshall Bowen, distinguished professor of geography, spends most

of his time away from his wife, who is finishing her masters degree in Canada.

"We don't get to see each other often, but we take turns traveling to spend time together," Bowen said. "I left a Valentine under her pillow before I left last weekend. It said not to open until the 14th, but she did anyway."

Despite her long-distance relationship, Horne remains positive. "I don't see what the big deal is about Valentine's Day. Everyday is Valentine's Day if you're in love!"

True romantics like sophomore Sara Fry, however, continue to hope for something special in February. "Maybe this Valentine's something will come along," she said.

Authorities Struggle To Prevent Underage Drinking

By Heather Bensten
Special to the Bulletin

The prevalence of underage drinking is noticeable in cities across the nation, yet college towns such as Fredericksburg seem to encounter the problem more often. Since the majority of MWC students are under the drinking age, many students agreed that the common weekend activity of drinking alcoholic beverages is proving to be a controversial issue.

In a Virginia-based survey done by Peter D. Hart Research Associates, published by the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles, statistics show that underage drinking is on the rise. Forty-two percent of minors said that they obtain alcohol by getting an older friend to purchase it. Ten percent acquire alcohol by using fake or borrowed identification.

"All I have to say is, according to my ID, I'm 26," a MWC junior said, age 20.

Fredericksburg is not known for its thriving bar and night club scene. Yet plenty of underage MWC students frequent Mother's Public House, the Irish Brigade and J. Bryan's Tap Room.

MWC student Jenna Thomas does not feel that authorities are strict in enforcing laws on underage drinking

in such social venues in Fredericksburg.

"I was at a local bar and was marked underage. I took a sip of a friend's beer and was quickly and abruptly escorted out of the bar. In the parking lot I ran into some friends. I put on a baseball cap, tied my sweater around my waist, licked the 'x' off my hand and went right back in," Thomas said.

Tim Brown, manager of Mother's Public House, said underage drinking is a daily occurrence, although he said he does all he can to prevent underage drinking. As a MWC student, many of his customers are also his friends and classmates.

"I don't consider who it is, I'm just doing my job. If someone is caught drinking underage, they must leave," he said.

Brown said he views bartending as a profession since the bar owners and employees have families to support. If they lose their liquor license, they can lose their business. "Not many people come to Mother's just for the music and atmosphere. Without an alcohol license, our business would be nonexistent," Brown said.

It is Brown's job to report underage drinkers to the owners, who immediately ask the offender to leave the premises. Yet many students said

they do find ways to get around the law and question why the legal drinking age is 21.

According to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Agency (ABC), the Commonwealth of Virginia lowered the legal drinking age from 21 to 18 years of age in 1974. In July of 1981, the legal drinking age was 18 for on-premises drinking and 19 for off-premises alcohol consumption. In July of 1985, persons born on or after July 1, 1966, would be able to purchase beer, wine and liquor after their 21st birthday. Persons born before July 1, 1966 could retain their alcohol privileges under the grandfather clause.

Today the legal drinking age is 21, and in an effort to enforce it, authorities have initiated steps to prevent underage drinking.

In 1994, the Virginia legislature passed the keg law. According to ABC law, its goal is to keep off-age persons from buying kegs to which underage people would have access.

The keg law has several basic provisions. The purchaser must give his/her name and address and provide valid identification. The vendor must record the type and number of the identification presented by the purchaser. The purchaser then must sign a statement confirming that the purchaser is 21 years of age or older

and does not intend to allow underage persons to consume the alcoholic beverages.

Finally, the vendor must make a record of the particular address or location and date where the keg will be consumed.

According to a 21 year old MWC senior, whose name is withheld from this article, the keg law has had little impact on some MWC students.

"Yeah, I had to sign some disclaimer--it even said something about jail time if too many people drink from the keg. I just put down a different address of where it was going to be consumed. I didn't want the cops busting our party," he said.

When asked whether the Fredericksburg police force work to enforce the new keg law, Public Relations Officer James Shelhorse simply said, "We enforce the law." When asked specifically about the keg law he said, "I'm not familiar with it, but I suppose it's a useful tool." He also said that enforcing the keg law should be the responsibility of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Agency. No other Fredericksburg police officer would comment on the keg law.

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He has been in the top five in the Capital Athletic Conference in these categories all year long: scoring (20.4), rebounding (8.0), assists (4.9), steals (2.4) and free-throw percentage (.823). He leads the team in all of these categories except free throw percentage. He takes more shots both

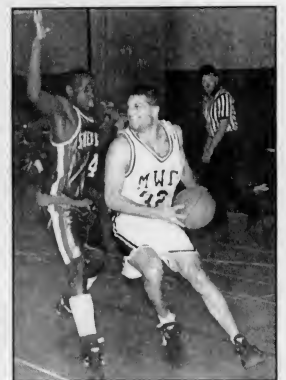
inside and outside the three-point arc, goes to the free-throw line more often, and plays more minutes per game than anyone else on the team. In just over a year and a half, he is 15th on the MWC career rebounding list with 290, 13th in assists with 129, 13th in steals with 83, sixth in three-point percentage at .392, and first in free-throw percentage at .823. Most of the players he trails in these categories played significant roles for four years. This year, he tied a school single-game record with nine steals in a win against conference rival Salisbury State. He recorded the first triple-double of his Mary Washington career in a 95-87 overtime win against Marymount, recording 22 points, 11 rebounds and 11 assists.

Warren means more to the Eagles than just pure numbers, though. "He is one of our co-captains, and has tried to keep the team on the straight and

narrow both on and off the court all year long," coach Tom Davies said, "both in their conditioning and otherwise." This year's men's team could be classified as young, with eight out of the thirteen players on the roster being freshman and sophomores. Young players need a strong role model to be successful. Warren provides just that.

"Jamie is a great leader," said freshman guard Michael Prensky. "He is a role model for the freshman. He works hard and is easygoing and sociable. He looks after his players. He's like another coach on the floor—he's the first person to tell you if you're doing something wrong, but he's also the first one to tell you if you are doing a good job."

Freshman forward Marvin Felix seemed to feel the same. "Jamie is the most important link. He is a professional



Senior wing Jamie Warren looks to reap havoc against Shenandoah.

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Swimming Rolls To CAC Championships

By Eric Gaffen
Bulletin Staff Writer

The Mary Washington College's women's swimming team capped off its 15th straight winning season with a 7-2 dual-meet mark after demolishing Washington and Lee University 152-51 at Lexington, Va. The men dropped to 5-4 overall with a 132-73 loss to the Generals.

The women placed first in ten events, with sophomore Megan Reese leading the way again with a pair of individual firsts and one on a relay. Reese won the 200-yard freestyle in a time of 2:00.92, the 500 freestyle in 5:18.86, and then joined sophomore Catherine Stafford, and freshmen Stephanie McKnight and Jessica Green in winning the 400 free relay in 3:51.92. Other first place finishers were junior Sarah King in the 50 free in a time of 26.67; junior Nancy McClain in the 200 individual medley in 2:22.14; junior Amanda Dresser in the 200 butterfly in 2:18.05; sophomore Emily Williams in the 1,000 free in 11:23.96; Green in the 100 free in 57.56; junior Gretchen Hurley in the 200 breaststroke in 2:34.83, and the quartet of King, Dresser, McKnight, and sophomore Ginger Newman won the 400 medley relay in 4:18.32.

On the men's side, only two

victories were claimed, by sophomore Tim Selgas in the 200 butterfly (2:01.96), and the 400 medley relay team of Selgas, sophomore Steve Smith, and freshmen Ryan Forbich and Billy Prout, who won in 3:45.82.

The regular season is complete, and now only one meet remains: the Capital Athletic Conference Championships, at the MWC Goodrick Pool Feb. 17-19. While the women aim for their fifth straight CAC Championship, the men are looking to reclaim that title from a Catholic team that won last year after three years of MWC dominance.

"We'll have a few girls swim fast, and hopefully qualify for nationals," said sophomore Cynthia Owen. "There won't be too much competition for the girls, but the guys will have their hands full."

The men will come into the meet as underdogs to Catholic, hoping for the culmination of a year-long quest to take the CAC crown back.

"The guys will have to keep their heads in the races," said Coach Marc Brown. "The meet will be close and will come down to some key races. The guys want the title back, but they're going to win it."

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Junior Lisa Vanbourgondien leads a practice run to prepare for the season.

Track and Field Starts Slowly

By Meredith Lerley
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Even as they faced high levels of competition, both the men's and women's track teams proved they could run with the best this past weekend.

The women attended the Virginia Tech Relays held in Blacksburg, Va. on Saturday. This meet, primarily dominated by Division I teams, proved to be tough competition for the Division III Eagles. "We didn't expect to do well. The competition was very tough," said Stan Soper, coach of both the women's and men's track teams.

Despite the towering superiority of the other teams, the women still showed some high finishes. The sprint medley relay team of Jill Fultz, Jayme Morris, Christine Redmon and Krystal Fogg, placed sixth with a time of 4:48. The distance medley team of Allison Coleman, Moraima Santiago, Caitlin McGurk and Becky Boyd placed sixth with 13:56.

Myra Simpson turned in a strong performance in the 55-meter hurdles with a time of 9:34 and excelled in the triple jump with a jump of 32'7".

Although the Eagles did not finish high, the key was to run to improve times. "The more we

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FEATURES

RESEARCH STRIVES TO BRING WORK PLACE TO THE HOME

MWC Professor Explores Possible Future Of Telecommuting



MWC professor Margaret Klaiton researches telecommuting possibilities. Colleen Maguire/Bulletin

By Jenine Zimmers
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Mary Washington College faculty from a myriad of departments are exploring realms beyond the classroom. While striving to apply knowledge to practical areas of research, MWC professors are studying everything from pollution control to micro fossils in the Arctic. One of the professors is Margaret A. Klaiton, assistant professor of business administration.

Klaiton's research involves telecommuting, a field which may allow individuals to work for a company without leaving the comfort of their own home.

Telecommuting is becoming more accepted than it used to be, she said. According to the winter 1995 issue of MWC of "Today," Klaiton believes, "The use of computers should allow many workers to perform much of their work at home in an uninterrupted environment."

However, much of her research involves considering the possible opposition to telecommuting.

One project Klaiton has worked on is a nationwide survey of unions in an effort to determine whether unions supported or objected to telecommuting.

"Traditionally unions have been against telecommuting," Klaiton said. "They feel it will lead to 'electronic sweatshops.' [The unions] believe that the people will be taken advantage of by their employers."

However, Klaiton's findings

demonstrated that unions are now becoming more accustomed to telecommuting.

"We found out that there are some unions involved in setting up telecommuting programs, so not everyone is against it," Klaiton said. "There's more involvement than in the past."

Though only approximately 20 out of 100 unions responded to her survey, Klaiton said the large majority of the unions were in support of telecommuting. She said many of the unions who did not reply to the survey simply may not have any use for telecommuting in their work places, and are not necessarily against telecommuting.

Through research such as the survey, Klaiton is becoming recognized in the field of telecommuting. After William Howell, a member of the Task Force on Telework and Telecommuting, nominated Klaiton for a position on the Task Force, Virginia Governor George Allen appointed her to be an advisor for the organization.

In addition to the honor of being on the Task Force, Klaiton is also recognized by international groups. She received two meritorious awards at the first annual conference of the International Telecommuting Advisory Council in Phoenix.

Klaiton said the Telecommuting Advisory Council is an educational network group that deals with telecommuting. Klaiton won an award at the conference for a book she wrote on telecommuting, a book that also enabled her to get her

doctorate last spring. The group also asked Klaiton to work on "TeleTrends," the group's official newsletter.

"I was asked by the president of the International Telecommuting Advisory Council to be the editor of 'TeleTrends.' I was very flattered," Klaiton said.

This past October, Klaiton collaborated with D. Ziegenfuss, an expert in internal auditing from Old Dominion University, in giving a presentation on telecommuting and internal auditing in an effort to see how the two fields are related.

Klaiton said her research is reflected by her teaching at MWC. In addition to her marketing classes, she teaches a business course, Managing Remote Workers. Her course is the first college credit class in the nation dealing with telecommuting.

"It's different from other classes, where you learn from the book. We do a lot of group work. It's more of a hands-on class, like you're learning from the experts," senior Joe Kirby said.

Amy Tubbs, who is completing her business major this spring, finds Klaiton's class interesting as well.

"I feel like [telecommuting] is the latest thing in the business world. I'm glad our school offers it, because most schools probably don't have the professors to teach it. I'm really impressed with all the work [Klaiton] is doing," Tubbs said.

Senior Heather Scott wrote a paper for Klaiton's class last semester discussing how telecommuting can

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Valentine's Day Instills Hope For The Romantic The Month Of February May Be Expensive As The Price Of Roses Go Up

By Sunday Frey
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It is a special time, a time for quiet celebrations. It is a day of anxiety for some as expectations for romance surmount. For others, it is a time to wear black and rebel against love. A candy coated time full of chocolates and hearts and teddy bears, and, of course, roses. In any case, the day is Feb. 14 and it is approaching fast.

The area florists are keeping busy in fact, all the gifts this time of year can exhaust a wallet. The price of roses, a Valentine favorite, rose to two dollars, an increase of 50 percent.

"Tomorrow we have one heck of a lot of roses coming in, all these pink flowers," Giant florist Linda

Harris said.

The ideal Valentine's Day bears encounters of love, and when it comes to romance there is a story for everyone.

"Freshman year the guy I was dating was up in D.C. for a conference. I drove up with a card and some roses and we spent the day just walking around the city. It was the most romantic day," junior Susan Payne said.

Taking walks, whether it is along a beach, in the park or just down the street, seems to be high on the list for romantic types. Senior Beth Lizut spent last Valentine's Day in Russia with her Scottish flame. "We got to walk down the Nera River when it was frozen," Lizut said.

Everyone has a Valentine story, and for those who do not, well, that

is their story. Payne seems to have more than her share. There's the one about the good friend that showed up on her doorstep unexpectedly with 30 carnations and said, "I hope these make you as happy as you make me!" Payne's romantic encounters continued last Valentine's Day.

"Last year I had to drive home by myself. He was waiting for me at home with candles lit and a teddy bear with long stem roses when I got home," Payne said.

Junior Molly Horne has her own version of romance. "We were driving 1-95 when he pulled over. He picked a bunch of daisies and gave them to me, and kept on driving. He just said, 'These are for you.'"

Horne's fiancé managed to capture romance despite his limited budget, something appreciated by students

and faculty alike.

Joe Nicholas, assistant professor of geography, has trouble not spending money on Valentines Day.

"We're in the money saving mode. I'll buy her anything. I'd be spending money," Nicholas said. "For our last anniversary I bought her a present and got in big trouble! I was in the dog house for a couple of days," he said.

Not everyone's Valentine's Day is full of romance, however. Some say they have had down right bad ones. Sophomore Mathias Svalina did not do so well.

"I had taken my date to dinner and we got back kind of late. When I dropped her off, someone had let the cat out and it ran right under my car as I pulled away," Svalina said.

For others, Valentine's Day is accompanied more by depression due

to unfulfilled expectations. "I've never gotten flowers," junior Jessica Rishow said. "Except once I got a flower from a five-year-old boy that I baby-sat who was in love with me!"

Senior Wendy Cooke sympathizes with Rishow's lament. "I've never really had a Valentine," Cooke said. "But it wouldn't even have to be flowers or chocolates or candlelight. Just going somewhere quiet to be together," she said.

Junior Sara Bickford would like some of that quality time with her Valentine, too. "This is the first time I've ever had a boyfriend on Valentine's Day, and now he's going to be 300 miles away," Bickford said. "I'll probably just get to send him a card."

Marshall Bowen, distinguished professor of geography, spends most

of his time away from his wife, who is finishing her masters degree in Canada.

"We don't get to see each other often, but we take turns traveling to spend time together," Bowen said. "I left a Valentine under her pillow before I left last weekend. It said not to open until the 14th, but she did anyway."

Despite her long-distance relationship, Horne remains positive. "I don't see what the big deal is about Valentine's Day. Everyday is Valentine's Day if you're in love!"

True romantics like sophomore Sara Fry, however, continue to hope for something special in February. "Maybe this Valentine's something will come along," she said.

Authorities Struggle To Prevent Underage Drinking

By Heather Bensten
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The prevalence of underage drinking is noticeable in cities across the country, yet college towns such as Fredericksburg seem to encounter the problem more often. Since the MWC students are under the drinking age, many students enjoy the college weekend as a time of drinking alcoholic beverages, a practice that is proving to be a controversial issue.

In a Virginia-based survey done by the W. Hart Research Associates, published by the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles, statistics show that 40 percent of the college students who drink are doing so by getting an older friend to purchase it. Ten percent of the students are using fake or borrowed identification.

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Fredericksburg is not known for its drinking bar and night club scene. Yet, on the 21st of February, MWC students frequent Mother's Public House, the 1001 Brigade and J. Bryan's Tap Room.

MWC student Jenna Thomas does not feel that authorities are strict in enforcing laws on underage drinking

in such social venues in Fredericksburg.

"I was at a local bar and was marked underage. I took a sip of a friend's beer and was quickly and abruptly escorted out of the bar. In the parking lot I ran into some friends. I put on a baseball cap, tied my sweater around my waist, licked the 'x' off my hand and went right back in," Thomas said.

Tim Brown, manager of Mother's Public House, said underage drinking is a daily occurrence, although he said he does all he can to prevent underage drinking. As a MWC student, many of his customers are also his friends and classmates.

"I don't consider who it is, I'm just doing my job. If someone is caught drinking underage, they must leave," he said.

Brown said he views bartending as a profession since the bar owners and employees have families to support. If they lose their liquor license, they can lose their business.

"Normally people come to Mother's just for the music and atmosphere. Without an alcohol license, our business would be nonexistent," Brown said.

It is Brown's job to report underage drinkers to the owners, who immediately ask the offender to leave the premises. Yet many students said

they do find ways to get around the law and question why the legal drinking age is 21.

According to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Agency (ABC), the Commonwealth of Virginia lowered the legal drinking age from 21 to 18 years of age in 1974. In July of 1981, the legal drinking age was 18 for on-premises drinking and 19 for off-premises alcohol consumption. In July of 1985, persons born on or after July 1, 1966, would be able to purchase beer, wine and liquor after their 21st birthday. Persons born before July 1, 1966 could retain their alcohol privileges under the grandfather clause.

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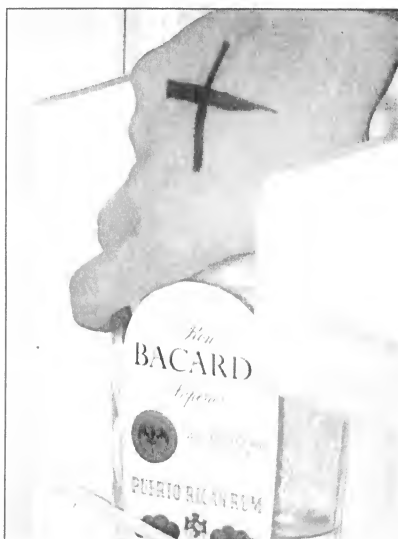
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The Eagles played with only seven players, as seniors Corinne May and Bridget Rooney and freshman Julie Harrison were suspended for one game for violating team rules. Six other players were suspended and will be sitting out in the following two games.



Junior guard Robin Coates fires in another bucket as MWC rolled to a CAC victory over St. Mary's. Coates had another strong overall performance with 18 points, nine rebounds and seven assists. The women's basketball team has won three of the last five CAC games to help themselves in the race to host a first round CAC tournament game. Photo by Kathryn Johnson.

Warren Finally Settles In

By Zak Billmeier
Bulletin Staff Writer

From the very first game that senior forward Jamie Warren played in after transferring to Mary Washington from George Mason University before the beginning of the 1993-94 season, it was apparent that he was going to make a huge impact. Warren scored 37 points in a seven-point loss to perennial Division III basketball powerhouse Christopher Newport University, and he has continued to fill box scores and press releases ever since.

He has been in the top five in the Capital Athletic Conference in these categories all year long: scoring (20.4), rebounding (8.0), assists (4.9), steals (2.4) and free-throw percentage (.823). He leads the team in all of these categories except free throw percentage. He takes more shots both

inside and outside the three-point arc, goes to the free-throw line more often, and plays more minutes per game than anyone else on the team. In just over a year and a half, he is 15th on the MWC career rebounding list with 290, 13th in assists with 129, 13th in steals with 83, sixth in three-point percentage at .392, and first in free-throw percentage at .823. Most of the players he trails in these categories played significant roles for four years. This year, he tied a school single-game record with nine steals in a win against conference rival Salisbury State. He recorded the first triple-double of his Mary Washington career in a 95-87 overtime win against Marymount, recording 22 points, 11 rebounds and 11 assists.

Warren means more to the Eagles than just pure numbers, though. "He is one of our co-captains, and has tried to keep the team on the straight and

narrow both on and off the court all year long," coach Tom Davies said, "both in their conditioning and otherwise." This year's men's team could be classified as young, with eight out of the thirteen players on the roster being freshman and sophomores. Young players need a strong role model to be successful. Warren provides just that.

"Jamie is a great leader," said freshman guard Michael Prensky. "He is a role model for the freshman. He works hard and is easygoing and sociable. He looks after his players. He's like another coach on the floor—he's the first person to tell you if you're doing something wrong, but he's also the first one to tell you if you are doing a good job."

Freshman forward Marvin Felix seemed to feel the same. "Jamie is the most important link. He is a professional



Senior wing Jamie Warren looks to break havoc against Shenandoah.

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Swimming Rolls To CAC Championships

By Eric Gaffen
Bulletin Staff Writer

The Mary Washington College's women's swimming team capped off its 15th straight winning season with a 7-2 dual-meet mark after demolishing Washington and Lee University 152-51 at Lexington, Va. The men dropped to 5-4 overall with a 132-73 loss to the Generals.

The women placed first in ten events, with sophomore Megan Reese leading the way again with a pair of individual firsts and one on a relay. Reese won the 200-yard freestyle in a time of 2:00.92, the 500 freestyle in 5:18.86, and then joined sophomore Catherine Stafford and freshmen Stephanie McKnight and Jessica Green in winning the 400 free relay in 3:51.92. Other first place finishers were junior Sarah King in the 50 free in a time of 26.67, junior Nancy McClain in the 200 individual medley in 2:22.14, junior Amanda Dresser in the 200 butterfly in 2:18.05, sophomore Emily Williams in the 1,000 free in 11:25.96, Green in the 100 free in 57.56, junior Gretchen Hurley in the 200 breaststroke in 2:34.83, and the quartet of King, Dresser, McKnight, and sophomore Ginger Newman won the 400 medley relay in 4:18.32.

On the men's side, only two

victories were claimed, by sophomore Tim Selgas in the 200 butterfly (2:01.96), and the 400 medley relay team of Selgas, sophomore Steve Smith, and freshmen Ryan Forbrich and Billy Prout, who won in 3:45.82.

The regular season is complete, and now only one meet remains: the Capital Athletic Conference Championships, at the MWC Goodrick Pool Feb. 17-19. While the women aim for their fifth straight CAC Championship, the men are looking to reclaim that title from a Catholic team that won last year after three years of MWC dominance.

"We'll have a few girls swim fast, and hopefully qualify for nationals," said sophomore Cynthia Owen. "There won't be too much competition for the girls, but the guys will have their hands full."

The men will come into the meet as underdogs to Catholic, hoping for the culmination of a year-long quest to take the CAC crown back.

"The guys will have to keep their heads in the races," said Coach Marc Brown. "The meet will be close and will come down to some key races. The guys want the title back, but they're going to win it."

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Shannon Stawler/Bullet

Junior Lisa Vanbourgonien leads a practice run to prepare for the season.

Track and Field Starts Slowly

By Meredith Lerley
Bulletin Staff Writer

Even as they faced high levels of competition, both the men's and women's track teams proved they could run with the best this past weekend.

The women attended the Virginia Tech Relays held in Blacksburg, Va. on Saturday. This meet, primarily dominated by Division I teams, proved to be tough competition for the Division III Eagles. "We didn't expect to do well. The competition was very tough," said Stan Soper, coach of both the women's and men's track teams.

Despite the towering superiority of the other teams, the women still showed some high finishes. The sprint medley relay team of Jill Fultz, Jayme Morris, Christine Redmon and Krystal Floyd, placed sixth with a time of 4:48. The distance medley team of Allison Coleman, Moraina Santiago, Caitlin McKirk and Becky Boyd placed sixth with 13:56.

Myra Simpson turned in a strong performance in the 55-meter hurdles with a time of 9:34 and excelled in the triple jump with a jump of 32'7".

Although the Eagles did not finish high, the key was to run to improve times. "The more we

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OUTBACK AUSTRALIAN FOR STEAK

By Amanda Harris
Bulletin Staff Writer

Fredericksburg has a new steakhouse -- not exactly what it needs, but at least it's not a sportsbar.

The Outback Steakhouse, a chain of restaurants advertising authentic Australian food, has migrated to Fredericksburg with its charming Aussie atmosphere and menu. Located off Route 3 near the Sheraton, The Outback is one of several new establishments cropping up in the area.

The hostesses, well-prepared for the insuring crowds, greet customers at the door with a smile and a vibrating beeper, which lets them know when a table is open.

The beeper system is especially popular with the college crowd. "I love it," said Mary Washington College senior Brett Christiansen, but Micah Dalton, also a senior, didn't think the new technology bridged the generation gap.

"My mom had no idea what to do with it," he

said.

The bar, a pleasant waiting area, was tended by a friendly chap, who -- although not Australian -- was both quick with a joke and a light of your smoke. Dalton said he enjoyed the wide variety of beers and drinks available.

"They have Australian beers and beers from New Zealand. I had the one from New Zealand and it was awesome," he said.

Dressed in a uniform reminiscent of the apparel sported by the Jets from the musical "West Side Story," the servers are prompt, casual, and friendly, sitting down with the patrons and helpfully explaining the menu. They take the time to walk the first-time patrons through the menu, giving advice and comments.

"Everybody there is really nice," said junior Justin Davis. "They went way out of their way to help us. We were there for a birthday and we had a lot of people all coming in at different times and they were nice about seating us."

The menu features a variety of steak dishes

including Victoria's filet, a 9 oz. tenderloin and the most tender piece of meat served. The Outback Special, a 12 oz. sirloin, was saturated with interesting seasoning. Other steaks include a prime rib, a New York strip and a porterhouse. Other menu items include chicken, pork chops and shrimp. Alice Springs Chicken, a tender grilled breast with bacon and Monterey Jack and Cheddar cheese, with a honey mustard sauce, is a popular item.

"I think it's better than Lone Star. They have pretty much the same menu, but [The Outback] just seems better," said Christiansen. "With an appetizer, it's more than you could eat."

The appetizers range from shrimp to buffalo wings to cheese fries, and favorites include the large breaded and seasoned onion. "I have one thing to say," said Dalton, "Bloomin' Onion. I want the recipe."

Other favorite menu items mentioned were the salads, and the steak dinners, which come with a choice of tossed or Caesar. Wheat bread with sweet butter also accompanies the meal. Junior Jessica Bell said, "They have the best baked potatoes of anyone."



Kathryn Johnson/Bulletin
"Chaze froyes plaze," and other vintage Aussie sayings and good food are all that and more at the Outback Steakhouse.



Courtesy Photo

Ze moon people are comink, harness ze dragon! Whoops nevermind its just "The State." On Feb. 13, MTV's "The State" will be performing live in Dodd Auditorium. Tickets are available in the campus center. \$2 for students and \$5 for non-students.



Oh Yeah, Ween will be playing the Underground Sunday, Feb. 12. Tickets are \$1 for MWC and \$3 for non-students.

High On "Highlander: The Gathering"

By Matt Withers
Bulletin Movie Critic

Let me begin with a confession. I'm a "Highlander" fool. I'm one of those people who get an excited gleam in their eye when "Highlander" is mentioned. Now don't get me wrong, "Highlander 2" was terrible, but it couldn't completely destroy the magic for "Highlander" fans. Thankfully "Highlander: The Gathering" is much more akin to the first movie and despite some serious flaws, still manages to entertain.

The movie is basically your good versus bad premise revisited with magic, betrayal, sex, and some killer sword fights all mixed in. Christopher Lambert is Connor MacCloud, the Highlander. He is part of a race of immortals who can only die if their heads are cut off. They are also constantly pilled to fight one another because they are all trying to achieve "the prize." This is a gift of infinite knowledge given to the last immortal, as they all say before they behead an opponent, "There can be only one!" In



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"Highlander: The Gathering." MacCloud finds himself pitted against Kane (Mario Van Peebles). Kane possesses the power of illusion, something he stole from a former teacher of MacCloud's. He has also been hunting the Highlander for 400 years.

Lambert and Peebles are both good in their respective roles. Lambert is perfect in the anti-hero role of the Highlander with his ability to let conscience peek through his menacing presence. All Mario Van Peebles needs to do is let evil ooze from his character. This he does while adding a twisted charm to Kane. The rest of the cast is fine for the most part, but they don't really matter. "Highlander: The Gathering" is about two men hunting each other with swords. Everything else is peripheral.

The special effects are actually the only aspect of this movie that deserve as much attention as the two leads. This movie is visually stunning. At times the special effects help to cover up holes in the movie such as confusing or slow spots. For the most part the special effects both blend and enhance, although, every now

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ZEUS AND FRIENDS INVADE MWC RIDDERHOF GALLERIES

By Bridget Malone
Bulletin Staff Writer

From Feb. 3 to March 31 the Ridderhof Martin Gallery is showing an exhibit entitled "The Stories of Gods and Goddesses: Mythological Themes in Western Art."

The exhibit comes to Mary Washington College from the University of Missouri Museum of Art and Archeology, previous employer of Forrest McGill, the director of the Ridderhof Martin Gallery. Having remained friendly with his former colleagues, McGill asked if the exhibit might possibly come to Fredericksburg. After a lot of planning, a year and a half later it has.

Before allowing the exhibit to come to MWC, the University of Missouri Museum of Art and Archeology required a facility report, detailing the lighting, temperature control and fire suppression systems of the Ridderhof Gallery, according to McGill.

For an exhibition of this nature, the facility report is important because most of the exhibit is done either on paper or wood. Variables such as light and air quality can affect the longevity of the art. Even in such perfect conditions the exhibit is only shown for a few months every couple of years, said McGill.

After the University of Missouri Museum of Art and Archeology deemed the Ridderhof Martin Gallery acceptable, the long journey from Missouri to Fredericksburg began. The only problem encountered in the transportation occurred in Fredericksburg, right outside the Ridderhof Martin Gallery. "The moving van that brought [the exhibit] couldn't fit into the parking lot so they had to park it on the street and we had to take dollies and move these huge crates down from the street. Of course it was raining at the time," said McGill.

Once the exhibit was safely inside the Ridderhof Martin Gallery, the employees encountered yet another problem: space. With so many pieces of art and such little wall space, some were skeptical that the exhibit would fit. "Space is rather limited. That makes it difficult. We wanted some things grouped together, so we had to come up with a way to group them the way they're supposed to be," said senior Lydia Hellrich, an employee at the Ridderhof Martin Gallery.

McGill took the problem head on. Through careful layout he was able to display all of the pieces.

After McGill completed the layout, Carol Kramer, along with many of the Ridderhof Martin Gallery staff, typed, edited, dry mounted and hung labels for all of the pieces.

Many of the employees at the Ridderhof Martin Gallery said they were amazed at how quickly the exhibit came together, especially in comparison to some other situations. Sophomore Melissa Greven, an employee at the Ridderhof Martin Gallery, said, "It just seems to me that the whole thing went really smoothly. When we got the crates we opened them up, laid all of the works out and Forrest went and arranged them. The next week they were up. The only problem was the labels; the

staff had to edit them and make sure everything was spelled right. It was not like the faculty show where some other girl was dry mounting labels and putting them up as people were walking into the opening."

The most interesting aspect about the exhibit is that very few of the artworks are actually paintings. Many are etchings or carvings or prints. "I love prints and I was so excited we were going to have them. Many are prints and they are just beautiful," said Hellrich.

The Wednesday Noon Gallery Talks are a common trademark of the Ridderhof Martin Gallery, and the talks have been tied into the exhibit as well.

Beginning Feb. 15 and ending March 15, members of the MWC faculty will speak on different aspects of the Greek and Roman cultures. Professor of Classics Diane Hatch will give a talk entitled "Gruninger Pictures the Aeneid" on Feb. 15. On Feb. 22 "Visions of Classical Greek and Roman" in the 16th through 20th centuries will be discussed by Costume Shop and Design Supervisor Rosemary Ingham. "The Second Discovery of the Ancient World" will be the topic of the talk given by Associate Professor of Classics Robert Boughner on March 1.

Marjorie Och, assistant professor of art, plans to talk about "The Woman's Body in Classical Mythology - Forms and Meanings" on March 15.

Ideas for these talks began about a year and a half ago, when bringing the exhibit to the Ridderhof Martin Gallery first became a possibility. Since many of the works are interpretations of classics, McGill began to brainstorm

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Courtesy of the Museum of Art and Archeology, University of Missouri

Pallas is on display at Ridderhof Martin Gallery

BY THE WAY

February 6-March 31: **Exhibition**, "The Stories of Gods and Goddesses: Mythological Themes in Western Art," Ridderhof Martin Gallery; Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, 1-4 p.m.; free

February 9: **Lecture**, "Ethics and Education: The Pursuit of Honor in the Classroom and Beyond," by John Charles Thomas, J.D.; Lee Hall Ballroom; 7 p.m.; free

February 11: **Drama**, "Passage," GW Hall, Dodd Auditorium; 1 p.m.; free

February 15: **Lecture**, by Nathan McCall; GW Hall, Dodd Auditorium; 7 p.m.; \$2 general admission, \$1 students

February 16-19, 23-26: **Drama**, "The Shadow Box," duPont Hall, Klein Theatre; Feb. 16-18 and 23-25 at 8 p.m., Feb. 19 and 26 at 2 p.m., \$6 general admission, \$2 students and senior citizens

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Thursday, Feb. 9: Pirates of the Mississippi (country), Houstons
Thursday, Feb. 9 - Sat., Feb. 11: Liberation (top 40), George Street Grill
Thursday, Feb. 9: Blue Miracle (rock), Irish Brigade
Thursday, Feb. 9: Dismemberment Plan with the Sore Losers (alternative), The Underground
Friday, Feb. 10: The Bullets (rock with a twang), Irish Brigade
Friday, Feb. 10: Wil Gravat (rock), Santa Fe
Friday, Feb. 10: Valentine Smith (rock), Mothers
Saturday, Feb. 11: smd, (alternative), Irish Brigade
Saturday, Feb. 11: Short Biggie (rock), Santa Fe
Sunday, Feb. 12: Ween with Instant Death (alternative), The Underground

Movies At Dodd

Thursday, Feb. 9: Sugar Hill, 10 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 11: Four Weddings and a Funeral, 7, 10 p.m.

the dismemberment plan



Courtesy Photo

After playing that crazy punk music all day there is nothing The Dismemberment Plan likes more than stuffing their collective face while discussing the latest episode of Melrose Place -- except playing at The Underground, Thursday, Feb. 9 at 9 p.m. with opening act the Sore Losers. Admission is free.

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and then the movie starts to feel more like a video than a film. Weaknesses are forgivable, though. After all, the Highlander concept is just too cool. Hey, I already admitted I'm a sucker for these movies.

Speaking of weaknesses, "Highlander: The Gathering" does have quite a few. The first quarter of the movie is esoteric and weird. It's one of those situations where everything that is going on seems strangely interesting, but you have no idea what the hell it means. You get to see words becoming snakes, villages being burned down, and an old sorcerer triplicate himself, and hear lots of wise or evil statements which make little or no sense. Throughout, though, I had the feeling that something important was being set up. While that may have been a stretch on my part, the movie did at least organize and move on, and the beginning became somewhat understandable while still leaving a mystic feel.

Further along in "Highlander: The Gathering" the pace suffers with some slow points in the plot, but for the

most part moves along quickly and enjoyably.

Another drawback of the movie is the editing. The scene transitions are jerky and, at times, confusing. I'd actually like to talk to the editors and show them the Webster's definition of "transition." Apparently they've never heard of the word. Not only is the editing sub-par, but many of the camera shots are shaky. Any number of times, especially when a camera was panning a room, the shot actually wobbled. The only way a mistake like that could get through is if somebody flat out didn't care. Maybe it's silly, but little things like that really annoy me.

Yes, "Highlander: The Gathering" is a flawed project. It's still fun to watch, though. In all honesty, people who didn't like the first one will not like this one. If you haven't seen the first one, go rent it or suffer in cultural unawareness. If you are one of the few, the proud, the Highlander fans, go see this. It's not as good as the first, but thankfully it blows the second movie out of the water.

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benefit the disabled.

"I chose that topic because even though there's a lot of information on telecommuting, there's not a lot on telecommuting and the disabled. [Telecommuting] is the ideal situation for the disabled because it's hard for them to travel to work," Scott said.

Through her research, Clayton is beginning to make others see how telecommuting can be a practical work alternate. Yet her research is secondary to her full-time teaching position at MWC. "Teaching is my primary mission and whatever time I have left is for research," she said.

Klayton said she has plans to continue with telecommuting research in the future which will supplement her teaching. She has already received a grant from the college to start a textbook on telemanagement.

"There aren't any books out there for college teaching on the subject," Klayton said. She will be beginning working on the book this summer, she said.

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new law is not the responsibility of the ABC agency.

"Underage drinking is not an issue for us. We require valid identification," she said. The ABC store does not sell kegs of any type, so Jones said the keg law does not pertain to them either.

Some MWC students said that the keg law is effective, however, because they said that police learn the whereabouts of students' parties through the paper work that the law requires. This new law could have been responsible for the abundance of student arrests in Fredericksburg this past September.

Senior E.J. Szymczak said that the keg law is the reason why police arrested so many underage drinkers last year. Szymczak believes the police found out who bought the keg, went to the location which was written on the purchaser statement, found underage people drinking, and arrested the purchaser.

Szymczak lives in a house with five other college men. There is a

constant flow of people coming in and out of their house, but he said that the only time that underage drinking is an issue for them is when they have big, pre-planned parties.

"We ID at the door and mark underage people's hands with a big 'x.' If we catch them drinking, they're out," Szymczak said.

A group effort by college and the Fredericksburg police force is working to curtail underage drinking. MWC campus police sergeant Philip Lucas said, "I believe that underage drinking needs to be strictly enforced. By enforcing these laws we can save countless lives and injuries."

Although the laws on drinking can spoil an underage student's weekend, authorities said they have to stay on top of the problem.

"We will never be able to stop underage drinking, but hopefully we can deter it greatly by enforcing applicable laws," Lucas said.

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with Hatch and Boughner about different speakers.

In addition to the Noon Gallery Talks, Mark Morford, professor of Classics at the University of Virginia, will speak about "Representations of Classical Mythology in European Art" on March 27 at 4:30 p.m. in Monroe 104.

All of the employees in the Ridderhof Martin Gallery look to make the gallery a great place on campus. "I just think it's pretty and I think it's a really nice place to be. A lot of people just don't know about it," said Greven.

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have to fight for it, because Catholic will be prepared to defend it. In the end, it might come down to who wants it more."

The tapering has cut the maximum yardage at approximately a third gradually, from 13 or 14,000 yards to 3500-4000 yards now, and will eventually reach 1500 yards. Soon, shaving down the body will be the topic of choice amongst swimmers.

"I can't wait to shave my head," said junior co-captain Cordis Carter. Tim Selgas said, "We'll find that psychological edge necessary to beat Catholic, there's no doubt in that."

Returning conference champions for MWC after last year's defeat are Sophomore Alex Inge in the 100 butterfly and Tim Selgas in the 200 butterfly.

The women have a number of returning conference champions from the team that won 14 out of 18 events at last year's championships: Junior Eliza Barcus was a champion in two individual events, the 500 and the 1650 freestyle, and fellow two-time winner Sarah King won both the 100 and 200 backstroke. Amanda Dresser comes back to defend her 200 butterfly title, and the five relays all have returning members from last year's squad.

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run, the more experienced we get, the better chances we have of dropping our times," said sprinter Rebecca Silverman.

The men also battled it out as they competed in the VMI relays in Lexington, Va. The men's team was faced by primarily Division I teams. The distance medley run by Chris Richardson, Mike Britton, Nate Plucker, and Justin Gerbereux placed fifth. Chris Richardson ran a 8.36 in the 55-meter hurdles. Darrell Snyder ran a 6.99 in the 55-meter dash, while Jason Lawrence ran 54.1 in the 400 meters.

The combination of Richardson, Lawrence, Britton and Plucker ran an impressive time of 3:37.0 in the 1600-meter relay. "It was a great time for this point in the season. We ran really well. It was the best indoor performance. I think we have a chance of winning this event in the

CACs in the spring," said Plucker.

These relay meets were only the second time the Eagles have run competitively this year. "We need to keep racing and get as many meets in as we can. The more we race, the better we can be," said Soper.

The meet to be held at Swarthmore College in Pennsylvania will feature five other Division III teams and will provide more racing experience.

"We are now ready to face teams at our level. I think we can come out really well as a team. We have a good chance of winning," said Plucker.

As for the women, with only eighteen runners, they hope to make a strong showing. "We do not have as many girls, but I think we are still strong and have lots of potential," said Coleman. "We have a better chance of doing better this coming weekend. The competition will be more on our level," said Silverman.

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role model both on and off the court. He also treats the newcomers well and makes them feel welcome." Warren is very unassuming about his role as a leader. "It's not something I try to do," he says, "I've been responsible all my life and I just try to go about my business."

His on-court presence is one of supreme concentration and focus. Fans will never see him too upset or worried. He seems unflappable, even if everything is caving in around him. "I just try to have clear head, stay calm, and not get mad at my opponents," he said. Warren has never fouled out of a game while at MWC.

"Jamie picks up the team," said coach Davies. "He draws defenders and always finds the open man." When asked if he considered Warren a true leader, Davies answered without hesitation, "He was All-Met (at Fairfax High School) for four years in high school. He was the

Northern Virginia player of the year his senior year, and had a good reputation going into college. Naturally, he gets a lot of respect."

Warren went to Division I Radford University his freshman year, but after he found that his role was very limited, he transferred to George Mason, also a Division I program. The result there was much the same. He transferred here before the 1993-4 season, and has since settled into his present role.

"I chose Mary Washington because I knew coach Davies and it is close to home and has good academics," Warren said. He is undecided as to what he will do after graduation, but he did express interest in sports management or administration.

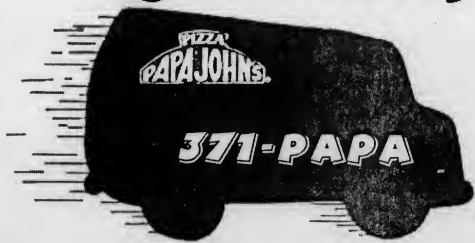
Jamie led the team in scoring last year as well, with 16.6 per contest. The real difference between his game this year as opposed to last is his

consistency. "Last year, we had a lot of different guys that had to get their shots," he said. "This year, I'm more involved in the offense. We have a better team concept this year." The team has begun to play together more of late. After losing their first six games to start the year, the Eagles have surged to a 8-11 overall record, including a 7-4 mark in the conference, good for second place. They have won seven of their last nine games.

Warren is a versatile basketball player, playing taller than his six-foot-three height, hustling after loose balls, setting up his teammates for easier shots, and providing a sense of stability on the court. "Jamie is our safety valve," Prensley said. In a sport where each player must have a sense of teamwork, Jamie Warren is the ultimate team player: unselfish, quiet, intense, and willing to do whatever is necessary to win the game.

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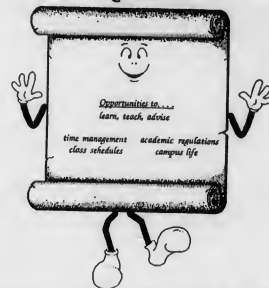
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